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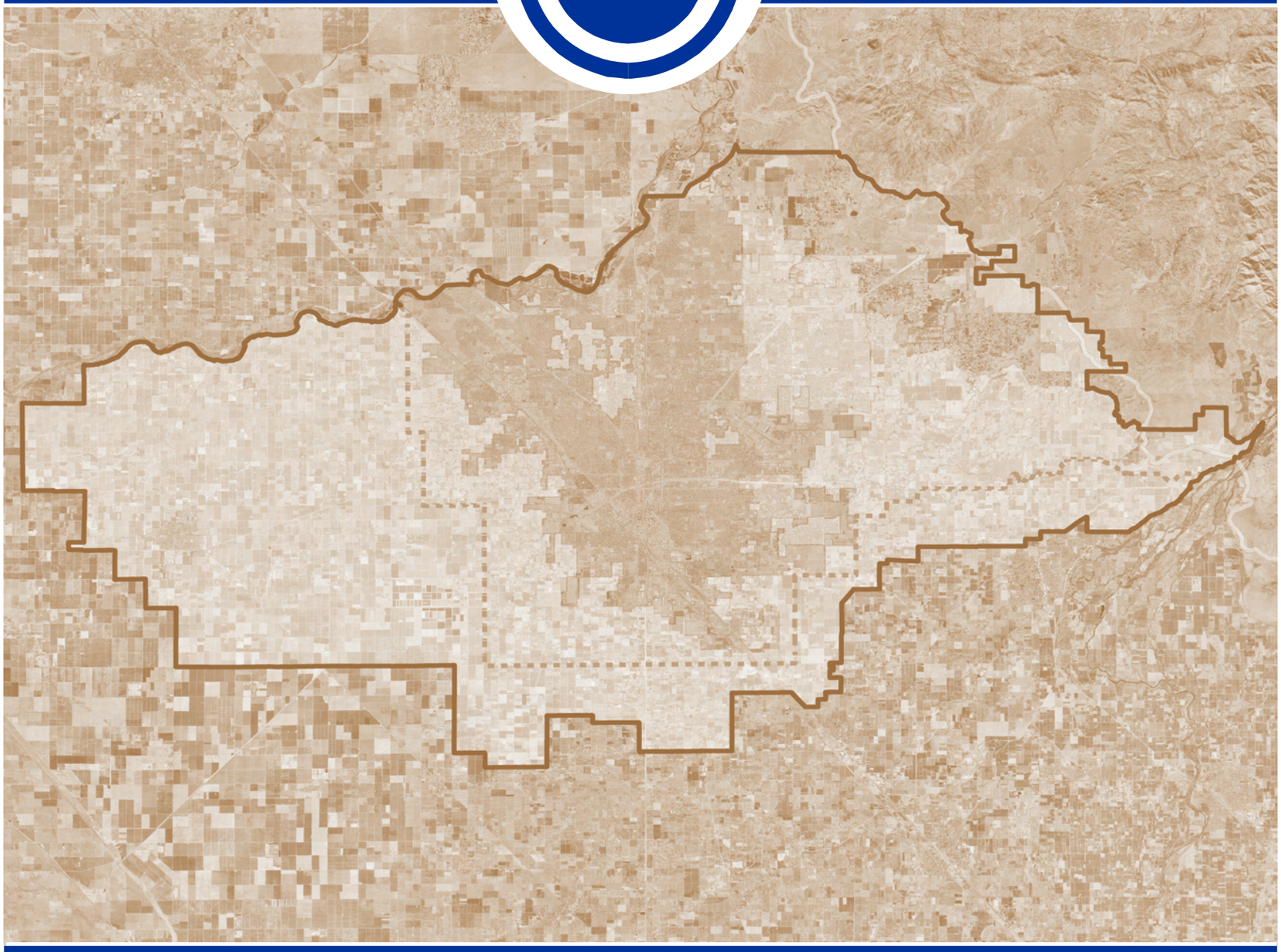

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The Fresno Area Regional
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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AB	Assembly Bill
AF	Acre-feet
CSA	Community Service Area
CVP	Central Valley Project
DBCP	Dibromo-Chloropropane
DHS	Department of Health Services
DWR	Department of Water Resources
EDB	Ethylene Dibromide
EHS	Environmental Health System
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
FCEHD	Fresno County Environmental Health Department
FID	Fresno Irrigation District
FMFCD	Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District
GAC	Granulated Activated Carbon
GMP	Groundwater Management Plan
HSA	Hydrologic Study Area
ISI	Integrated Storage Investigations
MCWD	Malaga County Water District
MG	Million Gallons
MGD	Million Gallons Per Day
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MTBE	Methyl Tertiary-Butyl Ether
NPDES	National Pollution Discharge Elimination System
RWQCB	Regional Water Quality Control Board
SB	Senate Bill
SWTP	Surface Water Treatment Plant
TAC	Technical Advisory Committee
TCE	Trichloroethylene
TCP	Trichloropropane
VOC	Volatile Organic Chemicals or Volatile Organic Compounds
WWD	Waterworks District
WWTF	Wastewater Treatment Facility
WWTP	Wastewater Treatment Plant

1 - INTRODUCTION

This Groundwater Management Plan (GMP or Plan) is a collaborative effort among nine public agencies and one private water company in the Fresno-Clovis metropolitan and surrounding area. The Plan documents a regional approach toward groundwater management, while still addressing individual goals and issues for each of the participants. The Plan satisfies the new requirements for Groundwater Management Plans created by the September 2002 California State Senate Bill No. 1938, which amended Sections 10753 and 10795 of the California Water Code. The Plan also addresses recommended components for a Groundwater Management Plan described in Appendix C of Department of Water Resources Bulletin 118 (2003 Update).

1.1 - Background Information on Regional Group

Background

The desire to develop and adopt a regional groundwater management plan for this region came from an effort to involve local stakeholders in development of a groundwater management plan for the Fresno Irrigation District (FID). In 2004, FID intended to update its groundwater management plan to meet SB 1938 requirements and DWR recommendations. In an effort to solicit comment from stakeholders, FID held a public hearing on July 7, 2004, to notify the public of FID's intent to modify its plan. The notice invited landowners and interested parties to make comment at the meeting and participate on a technical advisory committee. No public comments were received at the hearing. FID adopted a Resolution of Intent to Modify its Groundwater Management Plan on July 7, 2004.

A Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was formed to provide input during preparation of the Plan. The TAC was comprised of local agency representatives and landowners. The first meeting of the TAC was held on November 18, 2004. A review of the new Water Code requirements was provided, as well as the initial expectations of the TAC. At this initial meeting, some of the agency representatives noted that they planned to prepare their own groundwater management plan and some expressed interest in developing a regional plan. It was decided to conduct another meeting with representatives of agencies that have overlapping boundaries with FID to determine the interest of other local stakeholders to participate in a cooperative or regional plan. This meeting was held on January 27, 2005. The meeting addressed the need for an updated plan, the new requirements in the Water Code, the benefits of a regional plan, and discussions on how to proceed with a regional groundwater management plan. From this meeting, it was determined that there was enough interest in developing a regional plan. The attendees at the meeting identified four major reasons for developing a regional plan:

- Cooperative groundwater management efforts
- Cost savings with preparing a regional plan and annual groundwater reports
- Inclusion of smaller agencies
- Regional funding opportunities

Cooperative Effort

Interested parties continued to meet to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for preparation of the regional plan. The MOU was drafted and reviewed by each of the agencies, and monthly meetings with the agency representatives and landowners were held. The MOU was presented before each agency's governing body for discussion and public comment. The MOU was then adopted by each of the agencies. A copy of the signed MOU is included in Appendix B.

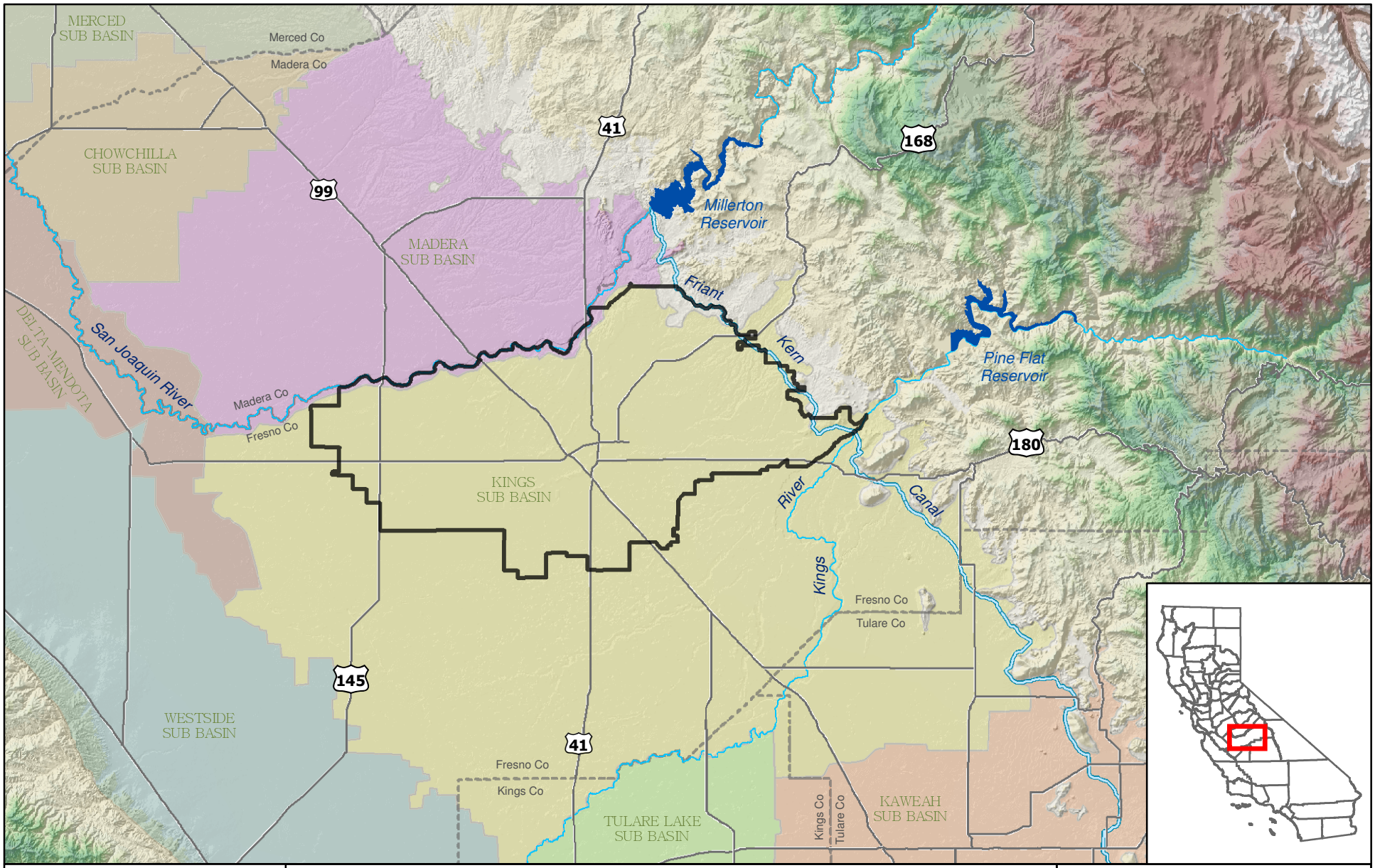
1.2 - Plan Area

The Plan Area lies within the Kings Groundwater Sub-basin, which lies within the San Joaquin Basin Hydrologic Study Area (HSA). The Kings Sub-basin is also identified as sub-basin 5-22.08 of the Tulare Lake Hydrologic Region in the Department of Water Resources Draft Bulletin 118 updated in 2003, as shown in Figure 1-1. The Plan boundary generally follows the boundary of the Fresno Irrigation District, however it is extended in the northeast along Friant Road to Willow Avenue, then east to the Friant-Kern Canal, then south along the Friant-Kern Canal to FID's boundary near the Kings River. The participants to this Plan include:

- Fresno Irrigation District
- County of Fresno
- City of Fresno
- City of Clovis
- City of Kerman
- Malaga County Water District
- Pinedale County Water District
- Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District
- Bakman Water Company
- Garfield Water District

The participants are described in Section 2 and the Plan boundary and participant boundaries are shown in Figure 1-2. The Plan Area was determined based on the shared aquifer, and includes participants that are within close proximity within the aquifer and are actively managing water resources.

Consistent with provisions of the County's groundwater management plan, it is intended that this Plan supercede the County's existing Groundwater Management Plan only within the Plan Area. The County's existing Plan will still be in effect for the remainder of the County area.



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Groundwater Sub Basins

- Kaweah
- Kings
- Madera
- Delta-Mendota
- Westside
- Chowchilla
- Merced
- Tulare Lake

GMP BOUNDARY

Figure 1-1

Groundwater Basin Map

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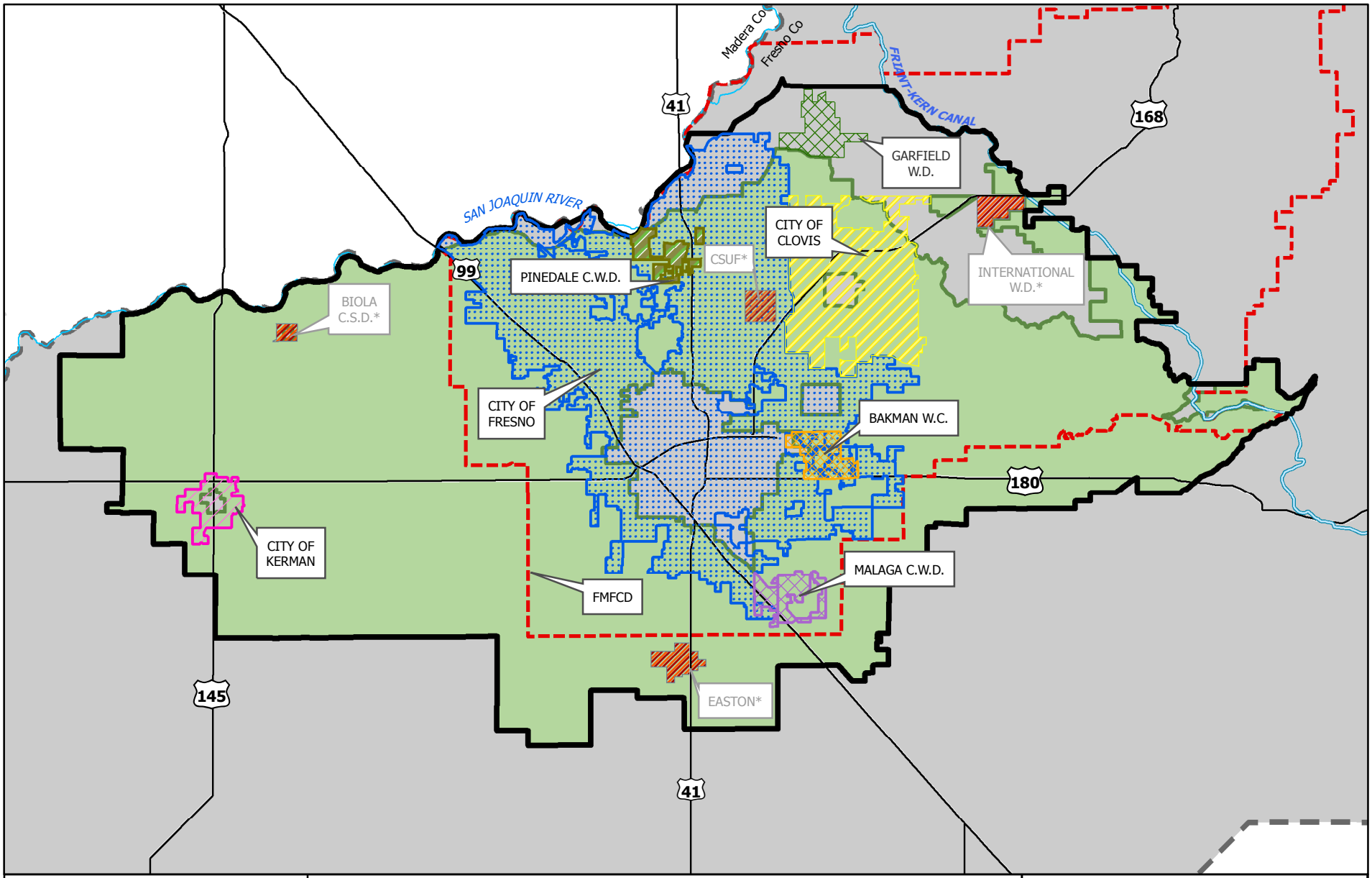

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LEGEND

- COUNTY OF FRESNO
- CITY OF FRESNO
- CITY OF KERMAN
- PINEDALE W.D.
- CITY OF CLOVIS
- BAKMAN W.D.
- GARFIELD W.D.
- MALAGA C.W.D.
- FRESNO I.D.
- FMFCD Boundary
- *Agencies within plan boundary, not participating
- GMP BOUNDARY
- FRIANT-KERN CANAL

The Plan area lies entirely within the County of Fresno, and the County is a participant to the Plan.
The Plan area lies within the Kings River Conservation District.

Figure 1-2

Participating Agencies

Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan

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1.3 - Purpose for this Groundwater Management Plan

The purpose of this Plan is to implement effective groundwater management that works toward maintaining a high quality and dependable water resource for the water users and landowners within the Plan Area, while minimizing negative impacts to other affected parties. The Plan documents the existing groundwater management efforts in the Plan Area that have been successful. The Plan also develops a coordinated and comprehensive approach to the future evaluation and management of groundwater resources within the Plan Area, in concert with other groundwater management activities within the groundwater basin. The Plan integrates past and present effective groundwater management activities with proposed activities to meet the following objectives:

1. Increase awareness of groundwater management efforts being performed by other local parties.
2. Provide benefits of cost savings for preparation, opportunities for regional funding and grant programs, inclusion of smaller local agencies, and the development of more cooperative groundwater efforts.
3. Allow smaller agencies to participate that otherwise would not have been able to fund the preparation of a GMP.
4. Include participants with overlapping boundaries.

1.4 - Previous Plans

Three participants to this Plan have previously adopted Groundwater Management Plans. FID adopted a Groundwater Management Plan in 1995, and the City of Clovis and the County of Fresno each adopted plans in 1997. This Plan supercedes the existing plans for FID and the City of Clovis, as their service areas are included within the Plan boundary. This Plan boundary only covers a portion of the County of Fresno, so at the time of this Plan's adoption, the County's existing plan will still apply to the area outside of this Plan's boundary. Elements from each of the previously adopted plans have been incorporated into this regional plan.

The participants in this Plan also recognize that many of the components of this Plan were previously identified in the Water Resources Management Plan for Fresno-Clovis Urban and Northeast Fresno County prepared by the County of Fresno in 1986 (herein called the 1986 Plan). The 1986 Plan followed the Interim Best Management Plan for Water Quality, Fresno-Clovis Urban and Northeast Fresno County. The 1986 Plan included detailed descriptions of the groundwater quality and quantity conditions within the area, described the water purveyors within the region, and included five of the same participants to this Plan: County of Fresno, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Irrigation District, and Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District. Other water purveyors within the area were described in the Plan, but not included as participants for

implementation. The plan area of the 1986 Plan was smaller than the area described in this Plan. The 1986 Plan includes surface water related objectives that are included in this Plan. Many of the activities of the 1986 Plan are still viable and have become a part of on-going operations for the five agencies involved. However, the committees formed to implement the activities proposed in the 1986 Plan have not actively met for many years, and there is a need to review and update the groundwater related activities described in that plan. This Plan is intended to be a continuation of the groundwater related objectives of the 1986 Plan, which included:

1. Preserve and enhance the existing quality of the area's groundwater.
2. Preserve untreated groundwater as the primary source of domestic water.
3. Maximize the available water supply, including conjunctive use of surface water and groundwater.
4. Conserve the water resource for long-term beneficial use and assure an adequate supply for the future.
5. Manage water resources to the extent necessary to ensure reasonable, beneficial, and continued use of the resource.

1.5 - Statutory Authority for Groundwater Management

The California legislature recognized that local groundwater management is preferable to State or Federal groundwater controls, and passed Assembly Bill 255 (AB 255) in 1989. AB 255 was the first statewide legislation allowing local water agencies to prepare and adopt groundwater management plans for their jurisdictions. California Assembly Bill No. 3030 (AB 3030), which became law on January 1, 1993, superceded AB 255, and authorized local agencies that are within groundwater basins, as defined in California Department of Water Resources (DWR) Bulletin 118, to prepare and adopt groundwater management plans. Each of the public agency participants to this Plan meets the requirements of a "local agency", as defined within Section 10752 of the Water Code.

Agencies adopting a Plan are authorized to enter into agreements with other local agencies or private parties to manage mutual groundwater supplies, including those existing in overlapping areas, as necessary to implement the Plan. Bakman Water Company has been an active participant in the development of this Plan, and has entered into the Memorandum of Understanding for its development and implementation.

1.6 - Groundwater Management Plan Components

This Plan includes the required and recommended components for a Groundwater Management Plan as identified in California Water Code Section 10753, et. seq. This Plan is also consistent with the recommended elements for a Groundwater Management Plan as identified in DWR Bulletin 118 (2003), Appendix C. Table 1-1 identifies the location within this document where each of the components is addressed.

Table 1-1 – Location of Groundwater Management Plan Components

Description	Plan Section(s)
California Water Code Mandatory Requirements (10750 *et seq.*)	
1. Documentation of public involvement	Appendix A, 1.1, 1.7
2. Groundwater basin management objectives	1.3, 4
3. Monitoring and management of groundwater elevations, groundwater quality, land subsidence and surface water	6
4. Plan to involve other agencies located in the groundwater basin	5.3
5. Monitoring protocols	6.3
6. Map of groundwater basin and agencies overlying the basin	Figure 1-1, 1-2
California Water Code Voluntary Components (10750 *et seq.*)	
7. Control of saline water intrusion	7.4
8. Identification and management of wellhead protection areas and recharge areas	7.3, 8.1
9. Regulation of the migration of contaminated groundwater	7.4, 7.5, 8.5
10. Administration of well abandonment and well destruction program	7.1
11. Mitigation of conditions of overdraft	8
12. Replenishment of groundwater extracted by water producers	8.1
13. Monitoring of groundwater levels and storage	6.1
14. Facilitating conjunctive use operations	8.4
15. Identification of well construction policies	7.2
16. Construction and operation by local agency of groundwater contamination cleanup, recharge, storage, conservation, water recycling, and extraction projects.	7.5, 8.1, 8.2, 8.4, 8.5, 8.6
17. Development of relationships with state and federal regulatory agencies	5.2, 5.3
18. Review of land use plans and coordination with land use planning agencies	9.1
Additional Components Recommended by DWR (App. C of Bulletin 118)	
19. Advisory committee of stakeholders	1.1, 5.1
20. Description of the area to be managed under the Plan	1.2, 2, 3
21. Descriptions of actions to meet management objectives and how they will improve water reliability	4 - 9
22. Periodic groundwater reports	9.2
23. Periodic re-evaluation of Groundwater Management Plan	9.4

1.7 - Adoption of Plan

Public Notice of Intention to Modify/Prepare a Regional Groundwater Management Plan
As required by the California Water Code, a public hearing was duly noticed on July 26, 2005 and August 2, 2005 consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss adoption and implementation of the regional Plan. No public comments were received at this meeting.

Resolution of Intention to Modify/Prepare a Regional Groundwater Management Plan
Each agency adopted a Resolution for Intention to Modify/Prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan. A copy of each agency's resolution is included in Appendix A. This resolution was then published on December 20, 2005 and December 27, 2005 consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a).

Public Participation in Plan Development
The public was invited to participate in the development of the updated Groundwater Management Plan through the newspaper notices and the public hearing. The draft regional plan was then prepared with input from a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The Technical Advisory Committee includes landowners and representatives from each party participating in the plan. In October 2005, the Technical Advisory Committee included:

- Dale Stanton, Assistant General Manager, Fresno Irrigation District
- Bill Stretch, District Engineer, Fresno Irrigation District
- Lon Martin, Water Division Manager, City of Fresno
- Brock Buche, Water Division, City of Fresno
- Lisa Koehn, Assistant Utilities Director, City of Clovis
- Alan Weaver, Public Works Director, County of Fresno
- Phil Desatoff, Geologist, County of Fresno
- Jerry Lakeman, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District
- Alan Jacobsen, Public Works Director, City of Kerman
- Tim Bakman, Bakman Water Company
- Russ Holcomb, General Manager, Malaga County Water District
- John Garcia, General Manager, Pinedale County Water District
- Richard Carstens, Landowner
- Chris Palmer, Landowner

Following the public hearing regarding the intent to prepare and adopt the Plan, the Garfield Water District (Garfield) expressed an interest in participating in the Plan. The TAC and participants agreed to Garfield's participation. Garfield provided a Letter of Intent to Participate in the plan, and Exhibit 2 of the MOU was updated to included Garfield, as shown in Appendix C. Garfield held a public hearing on December 8, 2005 regarding intent to participate in the Plan. The meeting was publicly noticed on

November 26, 2005. Garfield's Board of Directors adopted the Resolution of Intent to Prepare and Adopt the Fresno-Area Groundwater Plan on December 8, 2005.

Public Notice of Intention to Adopt a Regional Groundwater Management Plan
As required by the California Water Code, a public hearing was duly noticed on January 10, 2006 and January 17, 2006, consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on January 25, 2006 to discuss adoption and implementation of the regional Plan.

Resolution Adopting the Regional Groundwater Management Plan
Each agency adopted a Resolution for Adoption of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan. A copy of each agency's resolution is included in Appendix B. A listing of the date of adoption by each agency is shown below.

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Fresno Irrigation District	01/25/2006
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Garfield Water District	11/01/2006

Public Notice of Resolutions Adopting the Regional Groundwater Management Plan
Notice of the resolutions adopting the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater management Plan was published on November 24, 2006 and December 1, 2006 consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a).

2 - PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Nine public agencies and one private water company in the Fresno-Clovis metropolitan and surrounding area have collaborated to develop this Plan. The Plan Area covers 455 square miles and is located entirely within Fresno County. The total population in the Plan Area in 2000 was approximately 600,000, according to recent census data. Refer to Figure 1-2 for a map showing the Plan Area boundary and the location of each participant. Table 2-1 summarizes the background information on each of the Plan participants. Figure 2-1 shows the major surface water facilities in the Plan Area, including canals, pipelines, streams, and flood control basins. Following is a brief description of each participant including information regarding the history, demographics, water supply, water quality, and facilities of each.

2.1 - Fresno Irrigation District

The Fresno Irrigation District (FID or District) is a public irrigation district formed pursuant to the California Irrigation District Law (Division 11 of the California Water Code). The District was formed in 1920 as the successor to the privately owned Fresno Canal and Land Company. The District is a local agency responsible for delivery of surface water to lands within the District, and management of groundwater in accordance with this adopted Groundwater Management Plan.

FID is located in the geographical center of Fresno County and extends from the San Joaquin River in the north, south to near the City of Fowler, and roughly from the Friant-Kern Canal to about five miles west of the City of Kerman, as shown in Figure 1-2. The District service area is approximately 245,000 acres (about 380 square miles) and includes the Fresno/Clovis metropolitan area near its center. The District now operates approximately 680 miles of canals and pipelines. Water delivery is provided to approximately 190,000 acres, although this number has been decreasing in recent years as a result of urban expansion.

Potable water is used within the District boundary for municipal, industrial and agricultural purposes. The District delivers approximately 500,000 acre-feet (average annual) of water from the Kings River and Central Valley Project water through the Friant-Kern Canal. Most of this water is delivered to agriculture, although an increasing share of the District's water supply is used for groundwater recharge in the urban area. In 2004, FID began delivery of surface water to surface water treatment facilities operated by the City of Fresno and the City of Clovis. In addition to surface water deliveries, a significant amount of groundwater pumping occurs in the District to meet urban and agricultural demands.

The agricultural lands in the District remain predominantly permanent crops, however the rapid growth of urban development is changing the land use in the Fresno/Clovis

metropolitan area. About 150,000 acres (or 60%) of the District remains as farmed agricultural land. Vineyards make up the largest category of farmland at nearly 30% of the total District acreage. Almonds and citrus are other significant categories. Nearly 30% of the District is now urban, with the remaining 10% of land area classified as rural residential.

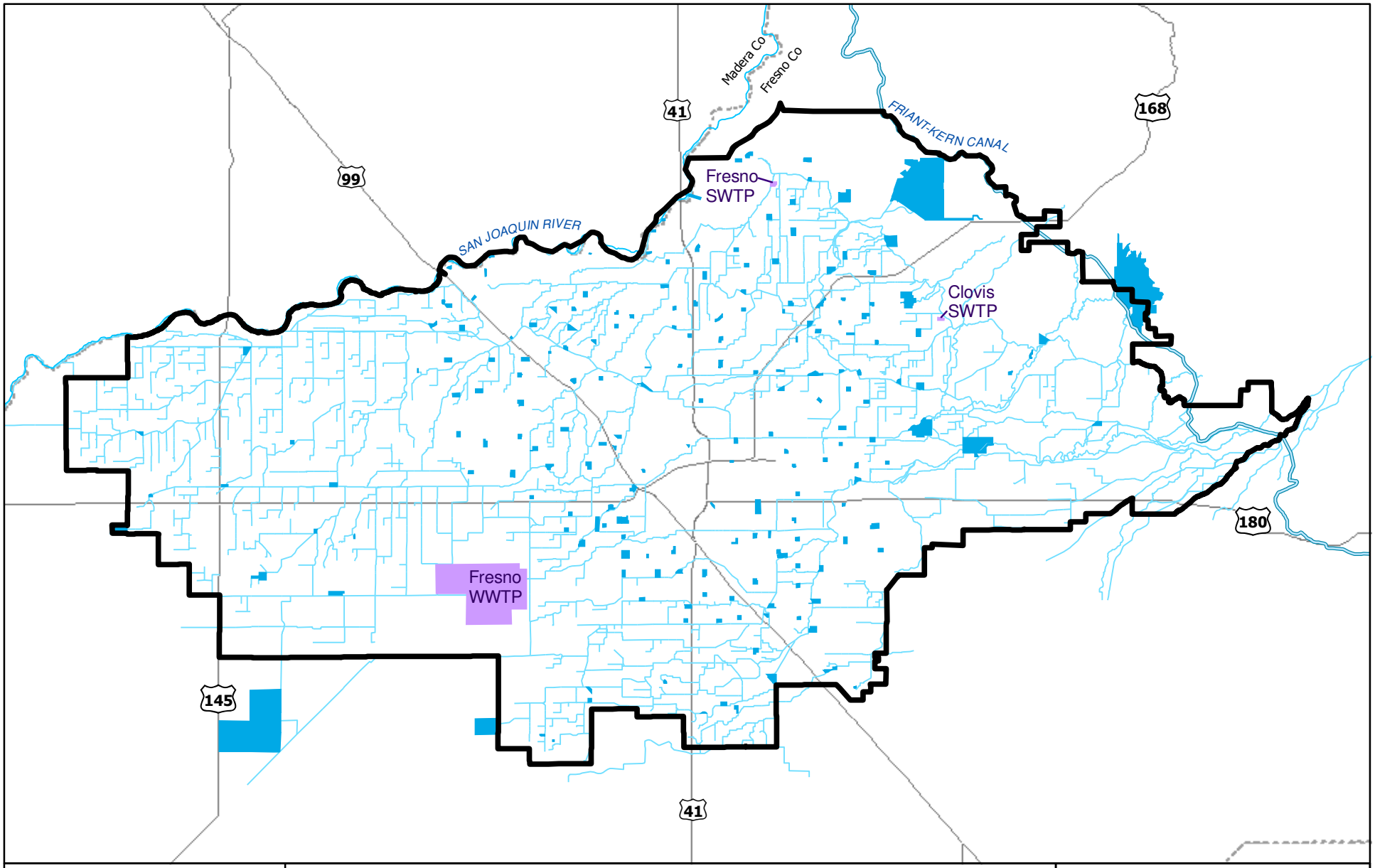
2.2 - Fresno County

Fresno County was established in 1856 and covers 6,016 square miles extending from the Sierra Nevada mountains to the west side of the San Joaquin Valley. The County population was 824,000 in 2000. The area covered in this Plan (455 square miles) lies entirely within Fresno County. Hence, only a portion of Fresno County is addressed in this Plan, although it is generally the most densely populated area in the County.

Fresno County supplies potable water to communities in the Plan Area through six Community Service Areas (CSAs) and one Waterworks District (WWD). The CSAs and WWD have 14 active wells; one of the CSAs is connected to the City of Fresno water system. County staff monitors groundwater levels and groundwater quality in cooperation with CSA and WWD staff. In rural areas, water is supplied from private domestic wells and sewerage is handled almost exclusively with septic systems. Constituents of concern in Fresno County include nitrates, DBCP, radionuclides, and EDB.

Along the eastern border of the Plan Area, groundwater is limited to fractured zones deep within the underlying bedrock. Locating sustainable groundwater supplies in these areas has been problematic in recent years.

Though dated, significant information on the groundwater in Fresno County can be found in the *Water Resources Management Plan for Fresno-Clovis Urban and Northeast Fresno County*, prepared in 1986 by Fresno County.



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FMFCD Basins and FID Ponds
Water Facilities (Canals, Pipelins and Streams)

Figure 2-1

Surface Water Facilities

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2.3 - City of Fresno

The City of Fresno was founded in 1885 and had a population in 2003 of 457,000. The total area of the City is 102.5 square miles, but the City only serves water to 87.2 square miles. The City of Fresno serves customers located within the city limits, as well as in some unincorporated areas (county islands). The City of Fresno has and continues to be one of the fastest growing cities in California.

The City of Fresno supplies water to residential, commercial, industrial and landscape irrigation customers. The City does not provide water for any agricultural purposes. In 2005, the City had 120,399 connections, and 14% of the connections were measured. Since water is metered for all of the large water users, 33% of total water deliveries are measured.

The City of Fresno's primary source of water is groundwater from the Fresno Sole Source Aquifer, a large underground aquifer. The City of Fresno's domestic water system is somewhat unique for a water system of its size. Prior to beginning a new 30 million gallons per day (MGD) surface water treatment plant (SWTP) in 2004, the Fresno water system was one of the largest water systems in the United States relying solely on pumped groundwater as its only source of potable water. The total water pumped from Fresno's 250 wells exceeded 54 billion gallons (166,000 AF) in 2003.

The City of Fresno also has two surface water supplies: 60,000 AF of CVP water from the Friant system (San Joaquin River) and more than 100,000 AF (average annual) from the Kings River through a contract with FID. Since the mid-1960's surface water from these rivers has been imported to the City of Fresno via FID canals and placed into groundwater recharge basins. In cooperation with FID and FMFCD, the City of Fresno currently diverts more than 40,000 acre-feet of surface water per year to more than 70 basins throughout the Plan Area for the purposes of groundwater recharge. More than 40,000 AF was recharged during the 2005 irrigation season. Surface water is now also conveyed to the City's new SWTP located in northeast Fresno.

The City of Fresno measures water levels on a quarterly basis and performs water quality testing according to Department of Health Service (DHS) requirements. Eight major contaminant plumes are present in Fresno, and they are being addressed by the responsible parties through assessment and remediation, and some are in advanced stages of mitigation. The inorganic plume contaminants include chloride, nitrate, arsenic, and chromium. Organic plume contaminants include petroleum hydrocarbons and methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE), chlorinated volatile organic chemicals (VOCs), Dibromo-Chloropropane (DBCP) and other pesticides, and trichloropropane (TCP). The City currently has 32 active municipal wells that are treated for DBCP or TCE.

For more information on groundwater in the City of Fresno refer to the City of Fresno Water Conservation Plan (2005), the Fresno Metropolitan Water Resources Management Plan (1992), and the Fresno Municipal Code, Chapter 14, Water Regulations.

2.4 - City of Clovis

The City of Clovis (Clovis) is located in eastern Fresno County, just east of the City of Fresno. Clovis was incorporated in 1912 and now covers an area of 19.76 square miles. The population of Clovis in 2005 was 86,215. Clovis also delivers domestic water to the unincorporated area known as Tarpey Village, which in 2005 has a population of 3,957.

In 2004, groundwater pumping in Clovis was about 7,500 MG (23,000 AF). Clovis has 36 active wells; other wells have been abandoned due to low yields, sanding, or contamination problems. Some wells have facilities for granulated activated carbon (GAC) treatment. Clovis monitors groundwater quality according to DHS requirements, and monitors groundwater levels semi-annually.

Clovis lies on the eastern side of a large cone of depression that underlies the Fresno-Clovis Metropolitan area. In 1997, groundwater overdraft was estimated to be 2,500 AF/year. This amount has increased due to rapid urban growth and a corresponding increase in groundwater demand. Clovis performs intentional groundwater recharge using Kings River water derived from entitlements through FID. The annual surface water entitlement for Clovis currently is over 20,000 AF in an average year. Recharge is performed in single purpose recharge basins owned by Clovis, dual-purpose storm drainage basins owned by the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District (FMFCD), and local channels including Dry Creek, Redbank Creek, and Dog Creek. More than 9,000 acre-feet of surface water is currently recharged annually.

In 2004, Clovis also constructed and placed into operation a 15 MGD capacity surface water treatment plant. The plant is providing treated surface water to the easterly portion of Clovis. Clovis, in cooperation with FID, also has areas where surface water from FID's canal system is directly delivered to areas of large landscaping such as cemeteries, schools and parks.

For additional information on the groundwater resources in Clovis refer to the following reports prepared by Provost and Pritchard Engineering Group: *City of Clovis Groundwater Recharge Investigation Report* (1997) and *Groundwater Monitoring and Recharge Investigation Project* (2003).

2.5 - City of Kerman

The City of Kerman (Kerman) is located in central Fresno County, near the western edge of the Plan Area. Kerman was incorporated in 1946 and had a population of 11,500 in 2004. Kerman occupies 2.5 square miles and the surrounding area is predominantly an agricultural community.

Kerman serves urban water to residential (2,104), commercial (307) and industrial (7) connections. All of Kerman's water supplies come from locally pumped groundwater and the City does not have the water rights for any surface supplies. In 2004, Kerman pumped a total of 988 million gallons (3,030 AF) of groundwater. Kerman has four active wells and one well on standby. The construction of two new wells is planned for 2006. Planned improvements will be capable of meeting projected water demands through 2011. Kerman is also developing a groundwater recharge partnership with FID. The program would place combination flood control/recharge basins close to FID conveyance facilities.

Groundwater is available to Kerman from a deep aquifer, beneath the Corcoran Clay, and a shallow aquifer above the Corcoran Clay. The shallow aquifer sometimes has high levels of uranium. Kerman is experiencing accelerated urban growth and expects new developments to rapidly increase water demands. As a result, Kerman is investigating surface water supplies, or the use of water from the shallow aquifer for landscaping, as alternatives for meeting the growing demand.

For more information on Kerman's water supplies and facilities refer to the *City of Kerman Capital Improvement Plan* prepared by Yamabe and Horn in 2004.

2.6 - Malaga County Water District

Malaga County Water District (Malaga or District) is a water and wastewater utility district covering 2.3 square miles just south of the City of Fresno. Malaga began delivering water in 1965 and now serves a residential population of about 1,300 from 224 residential connections and 220 industrial/commercial connections. Residential development in Malaga is nearly complete; existing zoning and readily available land allow for continued commercial and industrial development. All new industrial and commercial enterprises will be required to connect to the District water system.

Since 1982 the demand for water has generally been increasing. Malaga depends entirely upon groundwater to meets its water needs, and, in 2003, District wells supplied 602 million gallons (1,848 AF). However, there is no pumping data available for the many private wells in the area. Malaga is currently in discussions with neighboring agencies to participate in groundwater recharge projects to replenish the groundwater supplies.

Malaga has three active wells and two that have been removed from service due to a variety of contamination problems, including nitrates and DBCP's. Malaga also operates a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) with a capacity of 1.2 MGD. Effluent from the WWTP is delivered to percolation ponds. If necessary, tertiary treated overflow is discharged into FID's Central Canal.

Additional information on Malaga's facilities, water usage, and groundwater quality can be found in the *2004 Malaga County Water District Water Supply Report* prepared by Provost and Pritchard Engineering Group.

2.7 - Pinedale County Water District

Pinedale County Water District (PCWD or Pinedale) was formed in 1954 and presently delivers water to approximately 2,400 residential and 550 commercial customers. Pinedale covers 1.7 square miles and is located in the north central portion of the Plan Area, with portions of the district in the City of Fresno and unincorporated Fresno County. Some areas in Pinedale remain undeveloped, and consequently water demands are expected to increase as the lands are occupied.

Pinedale has five active wells, but typically only needs to operate three to meet current water demands. Some other wells in Pinedale are no longer used due to TCE contamination. No treatment or chlorination is presently performed on a regular basis on any of the pumped groundwater. Pinedale monitors groundwater quality according to DHS requirements. Pinedale does not presently monitor groundwater levels.

Pinedale also collects sewage and delivers it to the Fresno sewerage system, except for an area in the northwest portion of the district where sewerage is collected by the Pinedale Public Utilities District. About 20 residential units in the eastern portion of Pinedale are still on underground septic systems.

2.8 - Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District

The Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District (FMFCD) was founded in 1956 to provide flood control, local storm drainage management, water conservation, and recreational services in the Fresno-Clovis Area. The district is located in the north-central portion of Fresno County between the San Joaquin and Kings Rivers. FMFCD is authorized to control storm waters within an urban area and rural foothill watersheds of approximately 400 square miles, known as the Fresno County Stream Group. About 270 square miles of the service area lies within the area covered by this Groundwater Management Plan.

The FMFCD currently has three reservoirs, five regional flood control detention basins planned, and 163 local basins constructed or in planning. The principal method of disposal of stormwater in the area is groundwater recharge at all of these basins.

FMFCD monitors water deliveries to flood control/recharge basins and tests the chemical composition of sediments that collect in basins. FMFCD does not presently monitor groundwater levels or groundwater quality.

FMFCD is the lead agency for stormwater quality management and has primary responsibility for implementing a Stormwater Quality Management Program developed jointly with the City of Clovis, City of Fresno, County of Fresno, and California State University at Fresno. FMFCD has been involved with the Nationwide Urban Runoff Program (NURP) project, in conjunction with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The goal of the program was to determine the extent to which urban runoff contributes to water quality problems and evaluate various management practices.

FMFCD maintains as its first operational priority the protection of people and property from flood damage. However the FMFCD also aims to conserve water by (1) retaining storm water runoff in basins to facilitate storm water percolation; and (2) cooperating with the Cities of Fresno and Clovis to direct imported surface water entitlements to District facilities for percolation.

For more information on FMFCD refer to the *FMFCD District Services Plan* prepared in 2004.

2.9 - Bakman Water Company

Bakman Water Company (Bakman) is a privately owned utility that has provided water service to the Fresno area since 1948. Bakman delivers water to approximately 1,800 connections serving 10,000 customers. Bakman's service area covers 1,660 acres within the southeastern portion of the City of Fresno and parts of unincorporated Fresno County.

Bakman is currently negotiating a contract with FID for a surface water allotment. Bakman does not have any other contract for surface water to be treated and delivered to its customers, and therefore delivers pumped groundwater to its customers. Bakman pumped a total of 1,270 MG (3,900 AF) of water in 2003. Water is served to residential and commercial customers. Bakman currently has ten active wells, three standby wells, and three inactive wells. Numerous private wells are found in the Bakman service area. However, new developments are required to connect to the Bakman water system.

Water quality concerns in Bakman include nitrate contamination from food processing industries and DBCP. Due to these water quality concerns, three wells have been classified as "standby wells" in accordance with Department of Health Services (DHS) standards. Blending and GAC treatments are working at other wells to reduce nitrate and DBCP concentrations within Bakman's boundary. All wells are plumbed and wired to allow for emergency chlorination.

In 1991, Bakman signed an agreement with FID to fund groundwater recharge projects in FID through an annual payment. In addition, Bakman is presently pursuing groundwater recharge projects within its boundaries.

2.10 - Garfield Water District

Garfield Water District (Garfield) delivers surface water for agricultural uses to approximately 1,300 of the 1,750 acres within the District. Garfield recently entered into a Long-Term Renewal Contract with the United States for Project Water Service from the Friant Division. The contract is for 3,500 acre-feet of Class 1 water. Water deliveries to Garfield are made from a turnout on the Friant-Kern Canal, and metered delivery is made to the growers via a pipelined system. The predominant crops in Garfield are grapes, almonds, citrus, olives and stone fruits.

Garfield does not own nor operate any wells. All groundwater within Garfield is pumped from privately owned wells.

2.11 - Surrounding Area

Although not Plan participants, the neighboring water agencies shown in Figure 2-2 will be kept apprised of groundwater projects and policies that may impact them. Lands to the south and west of the Plan Area are particularly important since they are downgradient and located in the same groundwater sub-basin. Lands to the north share less hydrologic connection due to the partial hydraulic barrier created by the San Joaquin River.

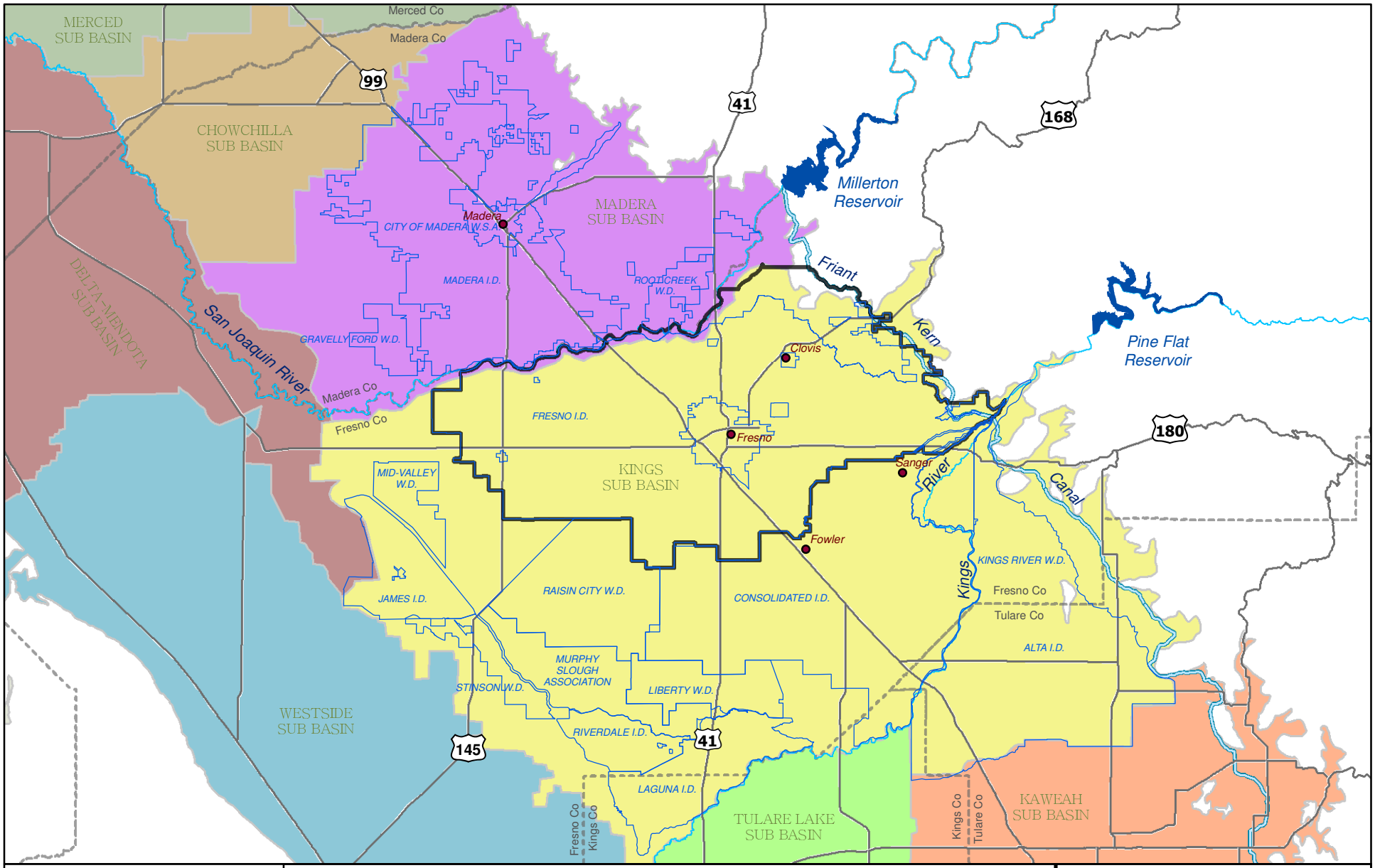

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Figure 2-2

Neighboring Agency Map

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FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN
SUMMARY OF PARTICIPANTS

Description	Fresno Irrigation District	Fresno County	City of Fresno	City of Clovis	City of Kerman	Malaga County Water District	Pinedale County Water District	Fresno Metro. Flood Control District	Bakman Water Company
Address	2907 South Maple, Fresno, CA, 93725	2220 Tulare St, 7th Floor, Fresno, CA 93721	1910 East University Ave., Fresno, CA 93703-2988	155 N. Sunnyside Ave. Clovis, CA 93611	850 S. Madera, Kerman, CA 93630	3580 S. Frank St., Fresno, CA 93725	480 W. Birch Avenue, Pinedale, CA 93650	5469 E. Olive Avenue, Fresno, CA 93727	PO Box 7965, Fresno, CA, 93747
Website	www.fresnoirrigation .com	www.co.fresno.ca.us	www.ci.fresno.ca.us	www.ci.clovis.ca.us	-	-	-	www.fresnofloodcontrol .org	www.bakmanwater.com
Gross Area (square miles)	387	6,016 (455 within Plan area)	103	19.8	2.5	2.3	1.7	400 (__ within Plan area)	2.4
Formation Date	1920	1856	1885	1912	1946	1965	1954	1956	1948
Population Served (1)			466,200	90,000	11,500	1,300			10,000
Water Users	Agriculture, Urban	Urban	Urban	Urban	Urban	Urban	Urban	Urban	Urban
Production Wells (2)	0	14	250	36	4	3	5	0	11
Groundwater Pumping - Volume (year)	0		54,000 MG (2003)	7,500 MG (2004)	990 MG (2004)	600 MG (2003)		None	1,270 MG (2003)
Primary Constituents of Concern		Nitrates, DBCP, radionuclides, EDB	Nitrate, arsenic, petro hydrocarbons, VOCs, DBCP, TCP	DBCP, nitrates, TCP	Uranium	Nitrate, DBCP	TCE	Various urban runoff contaminants	Nitrate, DBCP
Groundwater Level Monitoring Program	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Groundwater Quality Monitoring Program	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y (monitors storm water quality)	Y

(1) The 'Population Served' is the approximate population that the agency shown is provided.

(2) Only includes active wells owned and operated by the participant. Does not include private wells in the participant's area.

3 - GEOLOGY AND HYDROGEOLOGY OF THE FRESNO AREA

This section provides a brief summary of the geology, hydrogeology, and groundwater conditions in the Plan Area. For additional details refer to the reports listed in Section 10 - References.

3.1 - Geology

The largest geomorphic features in the Plan Area are two high fans deposited by the San Joaquin River and Kings River. A compound alluvial fan of intermittent streams between the two rivers also extends southwesterly from the northeast portion of the Plan Area. Unconsolidated alluvial deposits comprised of layers of cobbles, gravel, sand, silt and clay comprise the aquifer. Highly permeable, course-grained deposits of the ancestral San Joaquin and Kings Rivers underlie most of the area. These deposits comprise Quaternary age alluvium and the underlying Quaternary-Tertiary Continental deposits. These deposits are present above a depth of 350 to 400 feet below land surface and are tapped by most large-capacity wells in the area.
The Tertiary-Quaternary age continental deposits are composed mainly of the fine-grained sands, silts, and clays with some lenses of coarse-grained deposits. The thickness ranges from a feather edge in the east to more than 1,300 feet in the west. These deposits generally yield less groundwater to wells compared to the overlying more permeable deposits.

3.2 - Hydrogeologic Characteristics

Groundwater Basin
The Plan Area lies within the Kings Groundwater Sub-basin, which is located within the San Joaquin Basin Hydrologic Study Area (HSA). The Kings Sub-basin is also identified as sub-basin 5-22.08 of the Tulare Lake Hydrologic Region in the DWR Bulletin 118 updated in 2003. The Kings Sub-basin extends from the Sierra Nevada foothills on the east to the San Joaquin Valley trough on the west, and from the San Joaquin River on the north to roughly the Fresno County line on the south. Refer to Figure 1-1 for the location of each participant in relation to the Kings Sub-basin. The Kings sub-basin has been identified as critically overdrafted, as identified in DWR Bulletin 118-80.

Aquifer Characteristics
Most of the aquifer underlying the Plan Area is generally unconfined but may be semi-confined in some locations due to localized, fine-grained, low permeability layers. For much of the Plan Area there are no extensive low permeability units to isolate deep aquifers from shallow aquifers. At the west edge of the Plan Area, near the City of Kerman, there is an area underlain by the Corcoran Clay.

Groundwater Levels

Groundwater levels in the Plan Area range from about 10 feet to 400 feet below the ground surface. A large cone of depression under the Fresno/Clovis metropolitan area has developed. Figure 3-1 is a chart illustrating the decline in average water level in the Plan Area in recent years. Figure 3-2 shows hydrographs of selected wells within the Plan Area, showing the decline in groundwater levels for wells in the Fresno/Clovis metropolitan area since the 1950's. There is also a mound that has formed in the area of the Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility located south and west of the City of Fresno.

Groundwater Movement

Historically, groundwater moved from northeast to southwest. More recently, the heavy municipal and agricultural pumping in the area has influenced the natural groundwater flow. The pumping cone of depression has caused the southwesterly flows to decrease and flows are generally deflected into the urban area. Figure 3-3 shows recent groundwater levels within the Plan Area.

Transmissivity

The ability of an aquifer to transmit groundwater is measured by its transmissivity. Transmissivity is defined as the quantity of groundwater that would move through a one-foot-wide section of the total thickness of the aquifer under a unit hydraulic gradient. Transmissivity in the Plan Area is spatially distributed with the highest transmissivity in the northwest. Well yields are higher in the northwestern and southwestern portions of the Plan Area. The well yields in the northeast are limited because a thinner aquifer is present above bedrock.

Specific Yield

The ability of an aquifer to store groundwater is measured by its specific yield. Specific yield is defined as the quantity of groundwater that could be extracted from a unit volume of aquifer per unit decline in water level. The specific yield of an aquifer is important for evaluating the response of an aquifer to pumping. For example, if the specific yield is known, analysis of well hydrographs can be used to monitor the quantity of groundwater in storage in the reservoir. Estimates of specific yield of the older alluvium range from 0.15 to 0.20. Average values for the underlying continental deposits are estimated to range from 0.07 to 0.12.

Groundwater Development

The most favorable subsurface geologic conditions for the future development of groundwater are in the northwest Fresno area. Subsurface geologic conditions limit groundwater development in the northeast because of shallow bedrock north and northeast of Clovis and the predominance of fine-grained deposits at depth beneath these areas.

Fresno Irrigation District Regional Quarterly Weighted Average Depth To Groundwater

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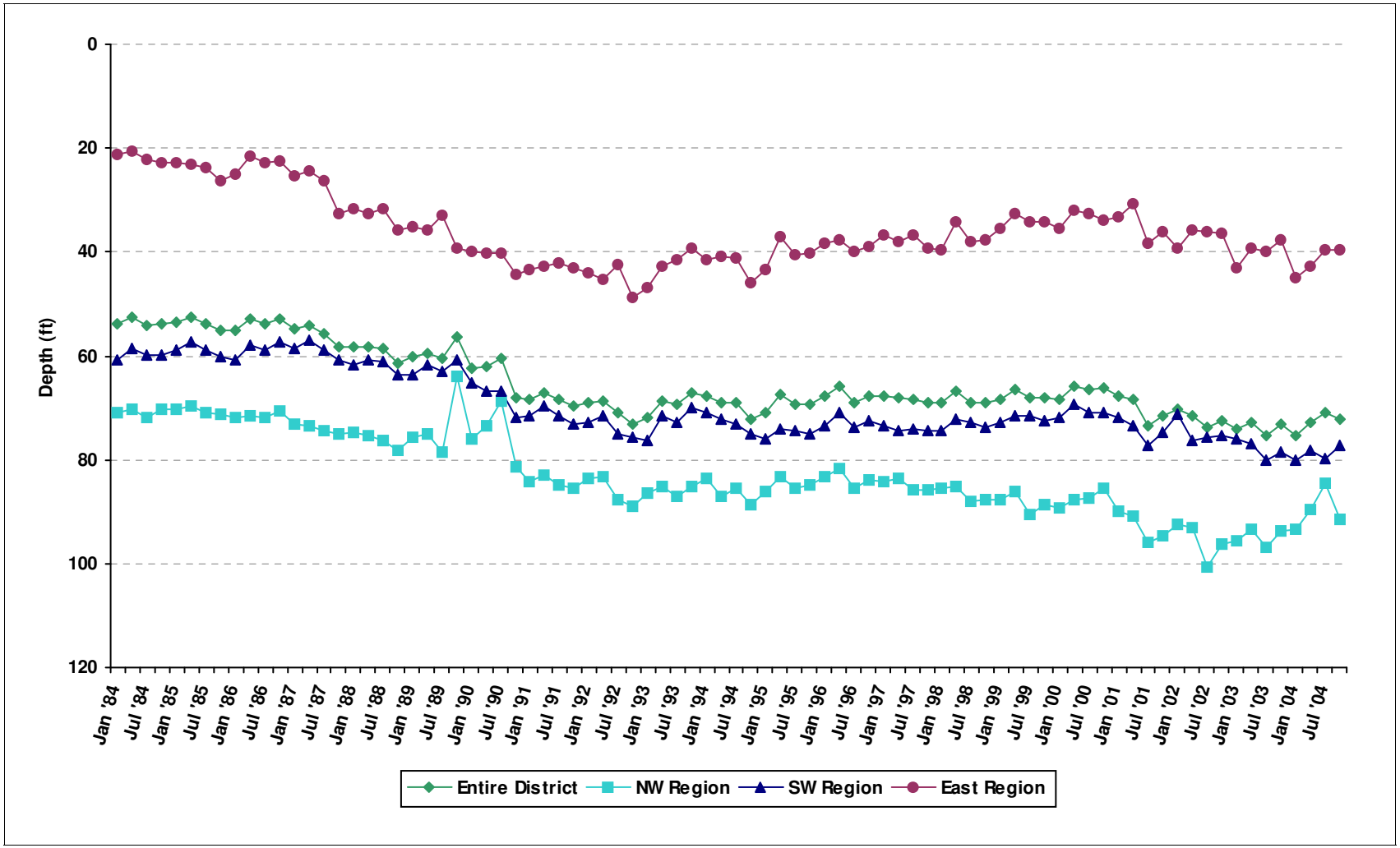

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*NW Region is north of Belmont Ave, west of Fowler Ave
*SW Region is south of Belmont Ave, west of Fowler Ave
*East Region is east of Fowler Ave

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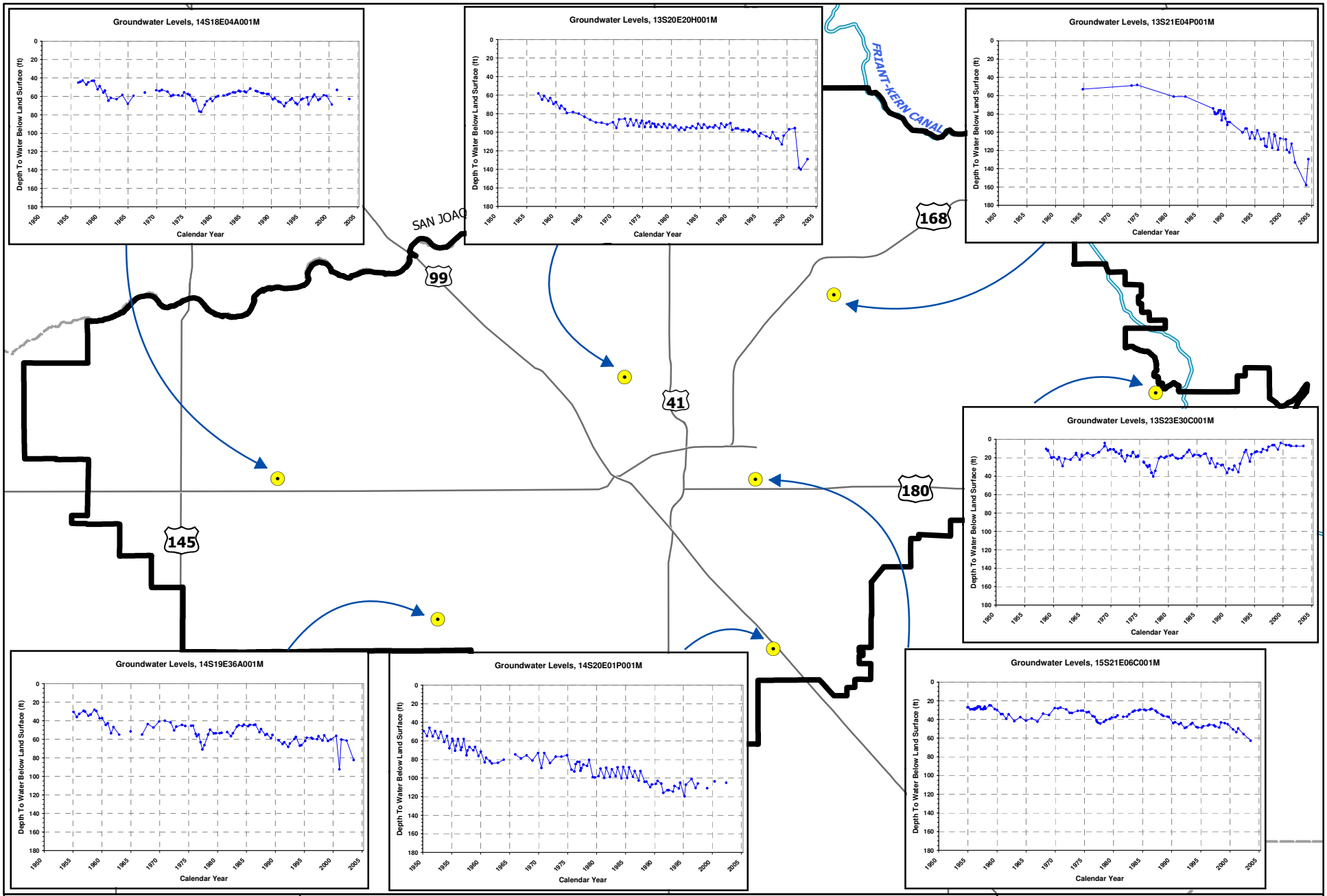

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Figure 3-2

Well Hydrographs

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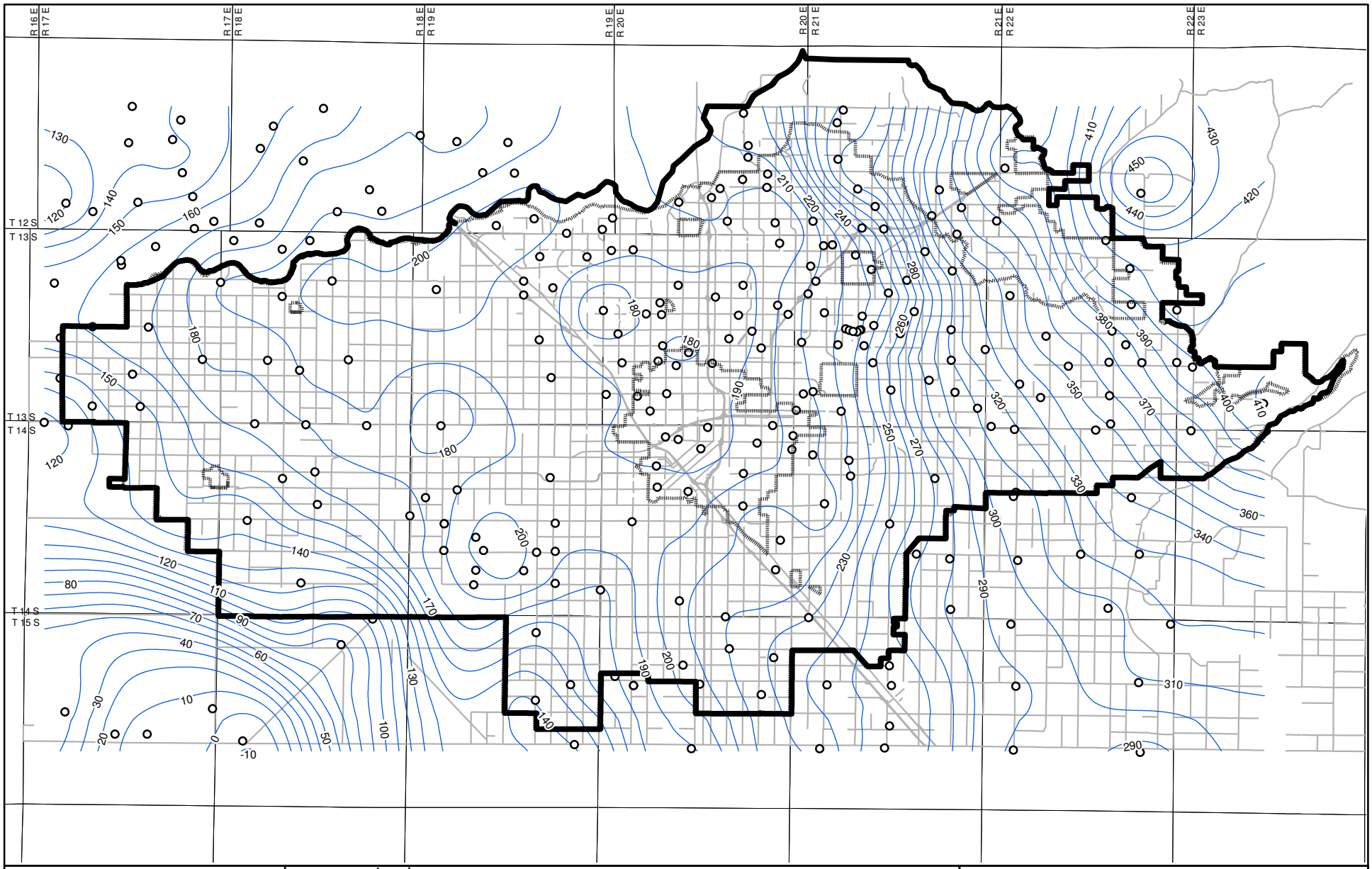

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Legend

- WSE (contours 10ft)
- Fresno ID Boundary
- Major Streets
- T / R
- Wells (Jan2005)
- GMP BOUNDARY

January 2005 Water Surface Elevation
10 Foot Lines of Equal Elevation

Figure 3-3

FID Annual Groundwater Report
Water Surface Elevation Contours

Fresno-Area Regional
Groundwater Management Plan

Intentional Recharge

Subsurface geologic conditions are favorable for intentional recharge basins beneath the much of the Plan Area. Conditions are less favorable beneath part of the northeast portions of the Plan Area because of the restricting layers above the water table.

Substantial operational information on average infiltration rates is available from stormwater management basins managed by the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District. Typical infiltration rates range from about one-third to one-half foot per day. Much of this water is observed to move laterally in highly permeable deposits.

3.3 - Groundwater Conditions within the Plan Area

A combination of surface water supplies and groundwater pumping are used to satisfy the water demands of the area. In agricultural areas, the difference between surface deliveries and the agricultural crop requirements is met by supplemental groundwater pumping almost exclusively by private individual landowners. For many years, all municipal and industrial demands were met entirely from groundwater pumping. However, both the City of Clovis and City of Fresno have recently begun operation of surface water treatment plants.

The Plan participants have long recognized the importance of preserving and maximizing groundwater supplies within its boundaries. Some participants have actively facilitated groundwater recharge and groundwater banking, and have engaged in indirect or "in lieu" recharge programs by delivering surplus surface water whenever possible to minimize groundwater extractions.

Water level measurements taken within the Plan Area show a continued downward trend in the groundwater elevations.

Some areas within the Plan Area's service area suffer from groundwater quality degradation, particularly where the groundwater is used as a potable water supply. Some areas have identified "plumes" of contamination resulting from discharges of industrial or agricultural contaminants, and in some instances groundwater quality has been degraded to below that required by applicable regulatory standards. While most groundwater within the Plan Area is still of acceptable quality, these contamination plumes could spread if not properly managed and controlled.

3.4 - Historic Groundwater Monitoring Programs

Several groundwater studies of the Plan Area have been performed since 1930. These studies are conveniently summarized in the *Water Resources Management Plan for Fresno-Clovis Urban and Northeast Fresno County* (1986) prepared in a cooperative effort by the County of Fresno, the Cities of Clovis and Fresno, the Fresno Irrigation

District, and the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District. Most of these studies focused on water quality with the remainder focusing on groundwater levels and storage. Geologic and hydrogeologic information for the Plan Area is described in the U.S.G.S. Open File Report, *Geology, Hydrogeology & Water Quality in the Fresno Area, California (*Page & LeBlanc, 1969).

Groundwater Levels

A groundwater-level monitoring program was developed when FID was formed in 1920. The program included monthly and quarterly measurement of wells within FID. As more farmers installed wells, FID began to use additional wells for measuring water levels. The water level measurement program has been maintained since 1920 and covers the vast majority of the Plan Area. FID began to store and organize water level data in a database in 1995, and has prepared annual Groundwater Reports for many years.

In the early 1970's the DWR completed a study of the aquifer underlying FID to determine the specific yields and available storage in the aquifer by township and range. FID has incorporated this information into its quarterly groundwater reports so that changes in storage are calculated.

Groundwater Quality

Extensive groundwater-quality testing has been performed by various agencies in the Plan Area. Since the 1960's, testing for general chemical, trace mineral, and inorganic substances has been routinely performed on a large number of the community wells located in the Fresno/Clovis metropolitan area.

The available water quality data is voluminous and therefore is not presented in this Plan. The reader is referred to specific Plan participants if they seek water quality data.

In the *Water Resources Management Plan for Fresno-Clovis Urban and Northeast Fresno County* (1986) water quality was evaluated through research and assimilation of all available data, and the collection and analyses of water samples where additional data was needed. Documentary evidence of water quality held by the California Department of Health Services (DHS), Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB), Department of Water Resources (DWR), Fresno County Health Departments Environmental Health System (EHS), and other agencies and municipalities were examined along with a historical review of pertinent literature. In addition, data developed from water quality hydrographs were grouped and evaluated in the report. Since 1986, a vast quantity of additional water quality data has been collected by the aforementioned agencies and the Plan participants.

Land Subsidence and Groundwater Impacts on Surface Water Flow and Quality

The Plan participants have not historically monitored land subsidence and groundwater impacts on surface water flow and quality. Refer to sections 6.4 and 6.5 for more information on these topics, respectively.

4 - REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

The Plan Area is, and will continue to be, dependent on groundwater as a significant water supply source. The Plan objectives have been developed to monitor, protect and sustain groundwater within the region. These objectives of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan include:

1. Preserve and enhance the existing quality of the area's groundwater.
2. Correct the overdraft and stabilize groundwater levels at the highest practical beneficial levels.
3. Preserve untreated groundwater as the primary source of domestic water.
4. Maximize the available water supply, including conjunctive use of surface water and groundwater.
5. Conserve the water resource for long-term beneficial use and to assure an adequate supply for the future.
6. Manage groundwater resources to the extent necessary to ensure reasonable, beneficial, and continued use of the resource.
7. Monitor groundwater quality and quantity to provide the requisite information for establishing groundwater policies, goals, and recommended actions.
8. Improve coordination and consistency amongst agencies responsible for the monitoring and management of groundwater in the Plan Area.

The proposed actions identified within each of the sections of this Plan are intended to help accomplish these Plan objectives.

5 - STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT

5.1 - Advisory Committee of Stakeholders

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was formed to guide the development and implementation of this Plan. The TAC includes landowners and representatives from each party participating in the plan. In October 2005, the TAC members include:

- Dale Stanton, Assistant General Manager, Fresno Irrigation District
- Bill Stretch, District Engineer, Fresno Irrigation District
- Lon Martin, Water Division Manager, City of Fresno
- Brock Buche, Water Division, City of Fresno
- Lisa Koehn, Assistant Public Utilities Director, City of Clovis
- Alan Weaver, Public Works Director, County of Fresno
- Phil Desatoff, Geologist, County of Fresno
- Jerry Lakeman, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District
- Alan Jacobsen, Public Works Director, City of Kerman
- Tim Bakman, Bakman Water Company
- Russ Holcomb, General Manager, Malaga County Water District
- John Garcia, General Manager, Pinedale County Water District
- Richard Carstens, Landowner in Fresno Irrigation District
- Chris Palmer, Landowner in Fresno Irrigation District

The TAC ensures representation from a broad spectrum of interests including public agencies, private utilities, local landowners, agricultural water purveyors, urban water purveyors, and special districts.

Planned Activities

A TAC will meet semi-annually or more frequently if deemed appropriate. The Committee will have the following responsibilities:

- Review trends in groundwater levels and groundwater quality;
- Evaluate the effectiveness of current groundwater management policies and facilities;
- Discuss the need for new groundwater management policies and procedures;
- Discuss the need for new groundwater supply/enhancement facilities;
- Evaluate the progress of on-going groundwater related projects;
- Assess the overall progress in implementing the programs outlined in the Groundwater Management Plan;
- Recommend updates or amendments to the Groundwater Management Plan;
- Identify regional and multi-party groundwater projects;
- Identify and share information on funding opportunities for groundwater projects;
- Share new ideas and methods for managing groundwater;

- Update Plan participants on the efforts of other regional groups; and
- Review and comment on the Annual Groundwater Report.

5.2 - Relationships with Other Agencies

The participants have been and continue to be involved in many programs, studies and committees that include groundwater related items in this Plan as part of their focus or charge. The Participants will continue to be involved in these efforts. A summary of some of these efforts is included here.

1986 Water Resources Management Plan

As described in the 1986 Water Resources Management Plan (1986 Plan), the Fresno Irrigation District (FID), City of Fresno (Fresno), the City of Clovis (Clovis), the County of Fresno (County), and the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District (FMFCD) have partnered in a cooperative effort to develop and implement a comprehensive surface and groundwater management program consistent with the Water Resources Management Plan for Fresno-Clovis Urban and Northeast Fresno County. The 1986 Plan, prepared with a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under Section 205j of the Clean Water Act, is a water quality and quantity project to plan for the preservation and enhancement of the area water supply.

Fresno/Clovis Area Recharge Program

The five agencies have entered into a Master Agreement for management of water quality and quantity for the area. The main thrust of the program involves using the FID's delivery system to deliver portions of the Fresno and Clovis water allocations to certain FMFCD basins for recharge during the summer when the basins are not needed to control urban storm runoff. Fresno and Clovis both own and operate significant recharge facilities to which a portion of the cities' water allocations is also delivered using the FID's system. This program also contains elements designed to protect the quality of groundwater in the area.

Integrated Storage Investigation Program

Other basin wide groundwater management efforts include a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Department of Water Resources entered into on May 24, 2001, as part of the Integrated Storage Investigation (ISI) program. The MOU between DWR, the Kings River Conservation District, Alta Irrigation District, Consolidated Irrigation District and Fresno Irrigation District, formed a cooperative effort amongst the agencies to review and investigate groundwater conjunctive use efforts on the Upper Kings Basin. During the formation of this program, the Kings Basin Advisory Panel was formed to include the basin stakeholders. The primary goal of the Basin Advisory Panel is "to stabilize groundwater in the Upper Kings Basin by halting, and ultimately reversing, the current overdraft of the groundwater aquifer."

Upper Kings Water Forum

Several of the participants to this Plan are actively involved with the Upper Kings Water Forum. Specifically, the City of Fresno, City of Clovis, County of Fresno, and FID have been involved. Representatives from FID serve on the Upper Kings Forum Planning and Steering Committee. The purpose of the forum has been to develop an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan with assistance from State funding. The forum has also sought funding for construction, or implementation, projects within the region, including projects for the City of Clovis and FID. This Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan will be incorporated into the Upper Kings Forum Integrated Regional Water Management Plan.

Water and Groundwater Associations

All of the plan participants are active in the groundwater community. Table 5-1 is a matrix illustrating the many water and groundwater related organizations that each participant belongs to. Many participants hold memberships in similar organizations, which increase opportunities for groundwater management coordination and the sharing of ideas.

Planned Activities

- Continue involvement with existing regional programs including the Fresno/Clovis Area Recharge Program, Integrated Storage Investigation Program, and Upper Kings Water Forum.
- Participate in newly formed regional groups that would complement this Plan.

5.3 - Plan to Involve the Public and Non-Participating Agencies

Water purveyors that are within the Plan boundary, but are not participating, include:

- Biola Community Service District
- Easton Community Service District
- International Water District

Each of these member agencies was invited to be a participating agency to the Plan, but could not financially participate. A copy of the draft Plan was sent directly to these agencies for review and comment. The Plan participants would welcome the participation of these and other agencies in the Plan Area, and they will have the opportunity to join the Plan in the future.

Input from neighboring agencies and interested parties was also solicited during this Plan's preparation.

Existing Activities

- Conducted public workshops regarding the Plan prior to adoption.
- Solicited input from neighboring agencies including Biola Community Service District, Easton Community Service District and International Water District.

Planned Activities

- Allow for agencies within the Plan Area to be incorporated into the Plan.
- Publish annual groundwater reports for distribution to stakeholders and interested parties. Notify the public of the availability of the annual report for their review on websites and newsletters.
- Publish information on the accomplishment of the regional group on websites and newsletters.

TABLE 5-1

FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN
MEMBERSHIPS IN WATER-RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

Organization	Fresno Irrigation District	County of Fresno	City of Fresno	City of Clovis	City of Kerman	Malaga County Water District	Pinedale County Water District	Fresno Metro. Flood Control District	Bakman Water Company
Agricultural Water Management Council	●								
American Public Works Association		●	●	●	●			●	
American Water Works Association			●	●	●				
Association of California Water Agencies	●		●			●	●	●	
Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●
California Rural Water Association					●				
California Storm Water Quality Association								●	
California Urban Water Conservation Council			●			●			
California Water Awareness Campaign			●	●	●			●	●
Central Valley Project Association			●						
Central Valley Water Awareness Committee	●	●	●	●		●		●	●
Central Valley Water Education Center	●	●	●	●					
Fresno-Area Groundwater Management Group	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Fresno County Water Advisory Committee				●					●
Fresno/Clovis Area Recharge Program	●		●	●				●	
Kings River Water Association	●								
National Association of Flood and Stormwater Management Agencies								●	
Waldron Pond Group	●			●					
Water Education Foundation			●	●				●	●

6 - MONITORING PROGRAM

A groundwater level and quality monitoring program is a critical component for documenting and evaluating groundwater conditions within the Plan Area. There is a need for a coordinated and consistent level and quality data collection method within the Plan Area as there is not currently a complete groundwater data management system for the Plan Area. The County of Fresno has planned to develop a database management system, but insufficient funding has delayed its development. The cooperative effort through this Plan will help spread some of the financial burden to multiple agencies. The program shall include groundwater level, quality monitoring, as well as any indication of land subsidence. To ensure the integrity and consistency of the data, protocols for collecting and reporting the data are needed, and must be implemented by each agency. The proposed monitoring program is intended to:

1. Provide warning of potential future problems.
2. Use data gathered to generate information for water resources evaluation.
3. Develop meaningful long-term trends in groundwater characteristics.
4. Provide data comparable from place to place in the plan area.
5. Better characterize the quality of well water in the plan area.

6.1 - Groundwater Level Monitoring

Many of the participants routinely perform groundwater level and quality monitoring in accordance with agency standards and State regulations for water purveyors, however the frequency and method for monitoring varies by participant. FID currently collects well water level readings within most of the Plan Area, but the system only includes a few wells in some areas and has very little water quality information. FID developed a groundwater-monitoring program, when it was formed in 1920, to quantify changes in groundwater depth within the District. FID currently collects water level measurements each quarter, and also compiles water level data that is collected yearly from other agencies. Each agency's water-level measuring-program was established separately and the data are managed separately, but FID compiles all the data into a single database. Other agencies from which FID receives groundwater level data include:

- City of Fresno
- City of Clovis
- Consolidated Irrigation District
- Madera Irrigation District
- James Irrigation District
- Malaga County Water District
- California Department of Water Resources

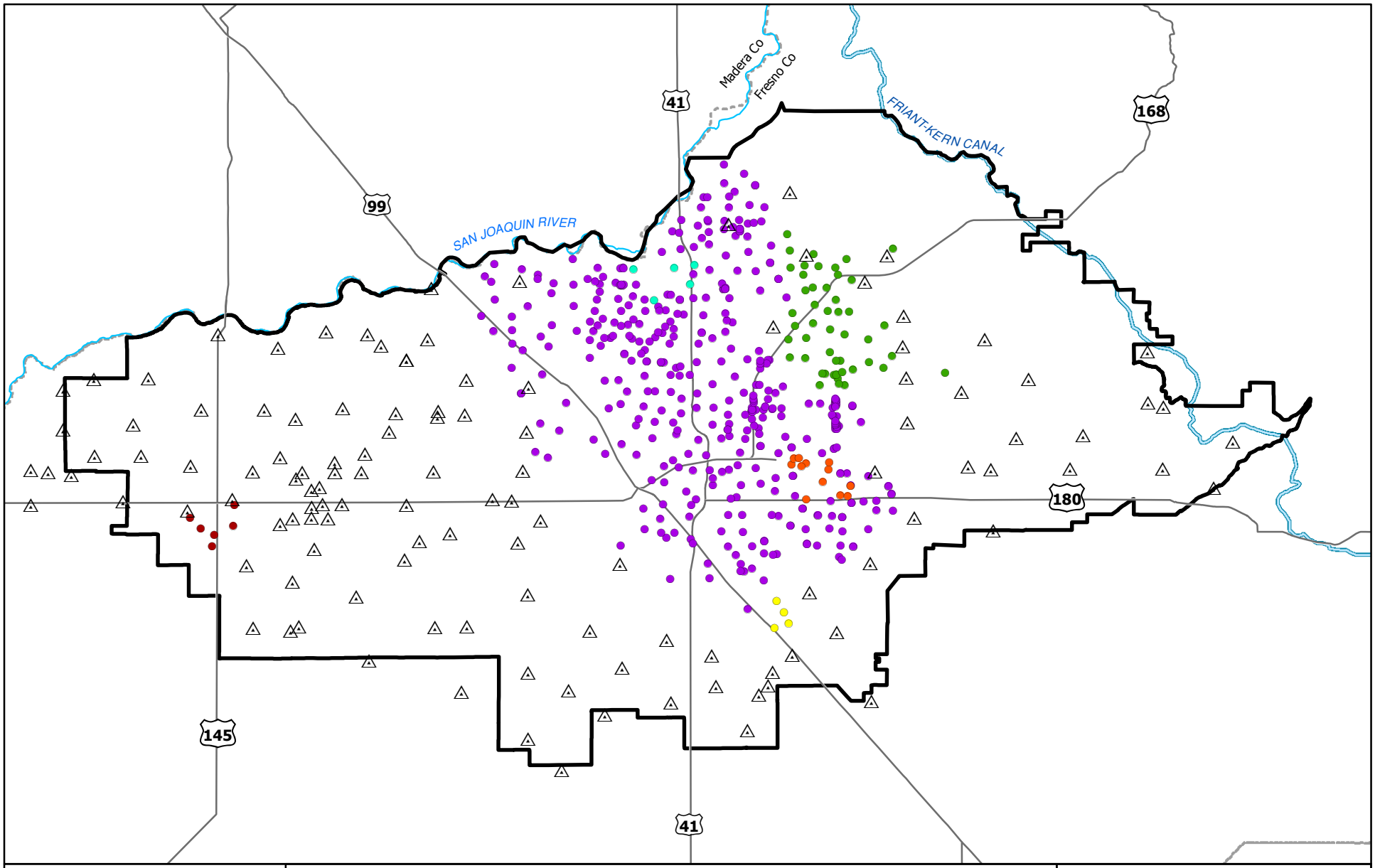
The County of Fresno no longer collects groundwater level data outside of its CSAs or WWDs. Some of the water purveyors, such as Kerman and the City of Fresno, have a water level measurement device in many wells connected to their SCADA systems. Other water purveyors such as Pinedale County Water District do not routinely record groundwater levels. FID and the City of Clovis monitor wells near their recharge facilities. The City of Fresno has several triple completion monitor wells near existing well sites that are monitored, however there are no monitor wells in or around recharge basin facilities that are used to evaluate groundwater recharge effects. A map of the domestic production and monitor wells that are frequently monitored for water level is included as Figure 6-1.

Existing Activities

- Individual monitoring by some participants with limited data sharing.
- Encourage landowners and developers to convert unused wells to monitor wells.

Planned Actions

- Develop a groundwater level monitoring program for the entire Plan Area. This will be accomplished by performing an inventory of monitoring efforts, finding gaps in the data, and adding wells to monitor in gap areas. Well driller's reports or monitored wells will be compared to identify each well's perforation depth.
- Decide on months for water level measurements to be taken so they are consistent for all parties.
- Survey the elevations for all wellheads and use a common survey datum.
- Protect wells in monitoring program from being abandoned.
- Develop Groundwater Database in accordance with 1986 Water Resources Master Plan and Fresno County Ordinance.
- Develop and use standard forms by all participants.
- Develop program for sharing data.



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Domestic Production Wells
- Bakman W.C.
- City of Kerman
- City of Fresno
- Malaga C.W.D.
- City of Clovis
- Pinedale C.W.D.

Figure 6-1

Domestic Production and Other Monitored Wells

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6.2 - Groundwater Quality Monitoring

Groundwater within the Plan Area is generally of good quality, however there are some specific areas of concern. Primary contaminants within these areas of concern are nitrates, Dibromo-Chloropropane (DBCP), and TCE. The domestic water purveyors within the Plan Area perform routine water quality monitoring as required by the State Department of Health Services. The requirements for testing are based on the size of the community system. Additional testing is performed at individual sites for specific constituents of concern. Additional water quality testing is needed to update various plumes that have been identified within the area. In addition, there are many locations within the Plan Area where little to no water quality monitoring is performed. Outside of the boundaries of the domestic water purveyors, the County of Fresno will perform basic water quality monitoring for individual wells, however, the City of Fresno recently completed a study of nitrate in wells in the southeast portion of the Plan Area. The City of Fresno has also recently studied nitrate in wells near the Wastewater Treatment Facility.

The following contaminant plumes are found within the City of Fresno's borders:

- Purity Oil plume
- Fresno landfill
- TCE Pinedale groundwater site
- FMC plume
- Salt Plume
- THAN plume
- Old Hammer Field plume
- Weir Floway plume

Most of the groundwater contaminants in the Fresno area are being addressed by responsible parties through assessment and remediation, and some are in advanced stages of mitigation. The responsible parties of many of the point source contaminants (i.e. hydrocarbons and VOCs) are working with state (Regional Water quality Control Board, Department of Toxic Substances Control) and local (FCEHD) agencies to remediate the contaminants. Area wide contaminants are being addressed via wellhead treatment (DBCP) and plans are underway to address others, such as nitrate.

The groundwater quality beneath portions of the City of Fresno is compromised by a number of inorganic and organic chemical contaminants. The inorganic contaminants include chloride, nitrate, arsenic, manganese and chromium. Organic contaminants include petroleum hydrocarbons and MTBE, volatile organic compounds (VOCs), DBCP and other pesticides, and trichloropropane (TCP). The sources of these contaminants are primarily anthropogenic and include industrial facilities, fuel storage and dispensing sites, agricultural applications, septic systems, and food processing facilities.

Management of these plumes is a key issue that the City of Fresno has historically focused on and will continue to address.

The Fresno Irrigation District does not have specific water quality requirements since they only supply agricultural water. However, they are cognizant of recommended water requirements for crops and use these as guidelines when evaluating water quality.

Existing Activities

- Routine water quality monitoring and reporting by domestic water purveyors as required by DHS.
- County offers free water quality testing to individual landowners outside of a community system. This data is either not retained or not readily available.
- Monitor sediment in recharge/flood control basins according to FMFCD's Standard Operating Procedures for Monitoring, Maintaining and Disposal of Stormwater Basin Sediment.

Planned Actions

- Develop a coordinated monitoring program by methods similar to groundwater level monitoring evaluation; inventory existing efforts, find gaps in data monitoring, then add wells to monitor in gap areas. Critical to this effort will be an understanding of perforation intervals within each well to identify the depth of the various constituents of concern.
- Protect wells in monitoring program from being abandoned.
- Develop program for sharing data to participants.
- Improve access to County individual water quality testing information.
- Prepare groundwater quality maps on a periodic basis with the aid of a qualified hydrogeologist.

6.3 - Monitoring Protocols

Monitoring protocols are necessary to ensure consistency in monitoring efforts and consistency is required for monitoring evaluations to be valid. Consistency should be reflected in factors such as location and reference elevation at sample points, sampling procedures, testing procedures, time of year and frequency of sample collection. Without such common ground, comparisons between and among reports must be carefully considered. Consequently, more uniform data gathering procedures are proposed in order to increase the reliability of analyses. Specific protocols for water level and water quality monitoring are discussed below.

General protocols that will be used for the groundwater level-measuring program include:

- Perform all water level measurements in as short a period as possible.

- Perform year-to-year measurements at the same time of the year.
- Document the measurement reference point for each well as well as the measuring device and calibration date for the measuring device.
- Document the date and time of each measurement.
- Test each well twice, or more if needed, until consistent results are obtained.
- If there is reason to suspect groundwater contamination, water level measuring equipment will be decontaminated, and in general, measurements will proceed from the least to the most contaminated wells. Also use standardized decontamination procedures.
- Landowners will be contacted for permission to access their property prior to any fieldwork.

The water-quality monitoring protocols may include the following for existing and future monitoring efforts:

- Adequate pumping time prior to sample collection with documentation of stabilized parameters.
- Proper sample containers, preservatives, and holding times.
- Secure chain-of-custody procedures.
- Testing will only be performed at accredited, state-certified laboratories that use proper quality control and quality assurance procedures.
- All samples will be given a quality assurance code, which represents the relative confidence in the water sample.
- Some testing will include spiked, duplicate and field-blank samples for comparison to genuine samples.
- Proper handling procedures (e.g. placing the containers in an ice chest immediately after collection).
- Documentation of all protocols and procedures that are used.
- Uniform time of year for sampling (during periods of both minimal pumping in the winter and heavy pumping in July and August).
- Document the name, contact information, and qualifications of the individuals taking measurements.
- Landowners will be contacted for permission to access their property prior to any fieldwork.

These protocols, and any new protocols that are adopted, will be documented in future Annual Groundwater Reports.

Existing Activities

- Annual calibration of water level measurement transmitters by some agencies
- Use of well sounder for measurement.
- Conduct water quality testing in accordance with DHS and EPA requirements and testing procedures.

Planned Actions

- Collect and compare monitoring protocols from all of the Plan participants. Develop standard regional protocols for water level and water quality monitoring.
- Develop standardized form for collection of data.

6.4 - Land Surface Subsidence Monitoring

No information is available on historic land subsidence in the area. The area may have experienced land subsidence in the early 1900's when it was prevalent in the San Joaquin valley. However, no significant land subsidence is known to have occurred in the last 50 years as a result of land development, water resources development, groundwater pumping, or oil drilling. Lands within the Plan Area will be observed for land subsidence, and, if land subsidence becomes a problem, this Plan will be amended to include preventive and mitigative measures for land subsidence. A Global Position System (GPS) control network has been established throughout the Plan Area. This control network consists of more than twenty control points that are tied to the High Precision Grid Network (HPGN), and the vertical datum is North American Vertical Datum 1988 (NAVD 88). This control network can be utilized to survey existing local benchmarks to monitor subsidence.

Existing Activities

- Established GPS Control Network throughout the Plan Area.

Planned Actions

- Periodic resurvey of control points and local benchmarks for land subsidence.

6.5 - Surface Water Monitoring

Within the Plan Area, large areas of agriculture lands that formerly were irrigated with surface water have been urbanized. Much of these urbanized lands rely solely on groundwater for water supply. Surface water is delivered to the outlying agricultural area, stormwater and recharge basins, and some landscaped areas. While a portion of the historically delivered surface water is routed to recharge basins, it was not until 2004, that the cities of Fresno and Clovis were able to utilize surface water through newly constructed surface water treatment facilities. The location of surface water deliveries within the Plan Area has had an impact on groundwater levels as shown in Figure 3-2. FID maintains daily surface water delivery records, and compares surface water delivered within its boundary to groundwater level changes.

Surface water flows can impact groundwater levels and groundwater quality if the two water sources are hydrologically connected. In addition, pumping may also affect nearby surface water rights if the surface supplies are hydrologically connected to the groundwater. Much of the east-side stream flow water enters into the FID canal system

for delivery to FMFCD and FID basins. FMFCD monitors surface water flows in portions of its boundary.

Changes to surface water quality can also affect groundwater quality by changing the quality of water that seeps from a stream. FID has not performed any water quality monitoring of stream flows entering FID. The water quality of the streams is monitored by other agencies and has historically been found to be of good quality. Between 85% and 90% of the water recharged in the FID is imported water. When importing water for recharge, the FID considers not just the cost but also the quality of the water to be recharged. The Participants will likewise be cognizant of water quality issues on streams in the Plan Area and address water quality issues if they arise.

Existing Activities

- FID reports surface water delivered within Plan Area and compares to groundwater level changes in annual report.
- Monitoring of surface water quality at Fresno and Clovis Surface Water Treatment Plants, as well as along conveyance system to Plants.
- Monitor quality of reclaimed water pumped to FID Canals from wells at the Wastewater Plant.

Planned Actions

- Continue monitoring of surface water deliveries within Plan Area.
- Prepare updated water budget for the City of Fresno and Clovis.
- Prepare water budget for the Plan Area based on annual monitoring program.

7 - GROUNDWATER RESOURCES PROTECTION

7.1 - Well Destruction

Proper destruction of abandoned wells is necessary to protect groundwater resources and public safety. Improperly destroyed wells can provide a conduit for surface or near-surface contaminants to reach the groundwater. In addition, undesired mixing of water with different chemical qualities from different strata can occur in improperly destroyed wells.

The administration of a well construction, abandonment and destruction program has been delegated to the Counties by the State legislature. Accordingly, Fresno County has adopted a permitting program consistent with DWR Bulletin 74-81 for well abandonment and destruction. The City of Fresno also has a permit program for well destruction.

The Participants have and will continue to properly destroy any of their wells that are no longer utilized, and will enforce proper well destruction procedures for all private wells. In addition, the Participants will encourage landowners and developers to convert unusable wells to monitor wells, rather than destroy them, so that they can become a part of the Participants' groundwater monitoring program.

Existing Activities

- The Plan participants destroy wells according to City of Fresno, Fresno County or State of California standards.
- Clovis and Fresno require no longer used residential wells within the City to be properly destroyed.

Planned Actions

- Improve enforcement and consistency of well destruction policies; currently wells are not usually destroyed until the land is sold or the land use changes.
- Identify and map the locations of wells requiring proper destruction in the Plan Area.
- Maintain records on all well destruction performed in the Plan Area.

7.2 - Well Construction Policies

Proper well construction is important to ensure reliability, longevity, and protection of groundwater resources from contamination. Fresno County has adopted a well construction permitting program consistent with Department of Water Resources Bulletin 74-81 to assure proper construction of groundwater wells within the County. Other Plan participants have adopted similar permitting programs and standards.

Proper wellhead protection is essential to ensure that contaminants do not inadvertently enter a well. Well construction policies that are intended to ensure proper wellhead protection are discussed in Section 7.3 – Wellhead Protection.

Some participants construct monitor wells to monitor water levels and water quality. Proper construction of monitor wells is essential to ensure their reliability and longevity. Important items to consider for a properly drilled monitor well include (1) method of drilling, (2) casing type and diameter, (3) perforations or well screen, (4) gravel pack, (5) annular seal, and (6) well development. As a general rule, monitor wells should be placed immediately upgradient and downgradient of a waste discharge site. After the monitor well is developed an aquifer test is recommended. Care should be taken to drill monitor wells deep enough so they won't go dry during summer months or drought periods; however, they should not be drilled so deep as to make monitoring of the shallowest strata difficult. Historical water level fluctuations should be examined to determine the magnitude of fluctuations to be expected in the future.

Existing Activities

- Wells are constructed according to State of California standards and may be further modified to meet site-specific requirements to accommodate a unique geologic setting in the local area.
- Records are maintained for all new wells drilled in the Plan Area.

Planned Actions

- Share well construction results in a 'Lessons Learned' format from water wells constructed in the Plan Area to share experiences among the Plan participants, and prevent common and recurring mistakes.

7.3 - Wellhead Protection

Need for Wellhead Protection

Contaminants from the surface can enter an improperly designed or constructed well along the outside edge of the well casing or directly through openings in the wellhead. A well is also the direct supply source to the customer, and such contaminants entering the well could then be pumped out and discharged directly into the distribution system. Therefore, essential to any wellhead protection program are proper well design, construction, and site grading to prevent intrusion of contaminants into the well from surface sources.

Since wells can be a direct conduit to the aquifer, they must be properly destroyed and abandoned or they will provide an unimpaired route for pollutants to enter the groundwater, particularly if pumping equipment is removed from the well and the casing is left uncapped. Well abandonment is discussed in Section 7.1.

Wellhead Protection Guidelines

Wells constructed by the Participants will be designed and constructed in accordance with DWR Bulletin 74-81. In addition, the Participants will encourage landowners to follow the same standard for privately owned wells. DWR Bulletin 74-81 provides specifications pertaining to wellhead protection, including:

- Methods for sealing the well from intrusion of surface contaminants.
- Covering or protecting the boring at the end of each day from potential pollution sources or vandalism.
- Site grading to assure drainage is away from the wellhead.
- Setback requirements from known pollution sources.

Wellhead Protection Area

As defined in the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1986, a wellhead protection area is "the surface and subsurface area surrounding a water well or well field supplying a public water system, through which contaminants are reasonably likely to move toward and reach such water well or well field." Wells are randomly spaced throughout the whole Plan Area. Therefore, the entire Plan Area is treated as a wellhead protection area.

Existing Activities

- Wellhead protection is performed according to DWR guidelines.

Planned Actions

- Identify and properly modify all public wells lacking adequate wellhead protection.

7.4 - Saline Water Intrusion

Saline water intrusion is not currently an identified problem in the Plan Area. The Plan Area is not located within or near large saline water bodies such as the ocean, saline inland lakes, or the saline deep aquifer on the Westside of the San Joaquin Valley. In addition, the Participants strive to prevent the importation of saline surface waters that could ultimately degrade the groundwater. When alternative water sources are available for importation, the Participants consider not only the cost but also the quality, including salinity, of the water. The Participants will monitor water quality in a manner that provides management information about salinity in the area. Should saline intrusion become a problem in the future, a Plan amendment will be prepared.

Existing Activities

- None

Planned Actions

- See Groundwater Quality Monitoring Program.

7.5 - Migration of Contaminated Groundwater

Groundwater contamination can be human induced or caused by naturally occurring processes and chemicals. Sources of groundwater contamination can include irrigation, dairies, pesticide applications, septic tanks, industrial sources, stormwater runoff, and disposal sites. Groundwater within the Plan Area is generally of excellent quality for agricultural use. However, serious water quality problems in the southern and eastern portions of the Plan Area occur due to high concentrations of nitrate and DBCP. The presence of DBCP is primarily due to former pesticide application to the surrounding farmland.

The City of Fresno Nitrate Management Plan project, nearing completion, has yielded 20 to 30 viable projects of various types including blending, intentional recharge, removal of nitrate sources, treatment for nitrate reduction, and exchange of high nitrate water with lower nitrate surface water that can be used for recharge. All of these projects will be compared, ranked for effectiveness, and placed into service as appropriate over the next several years.

Information on existing contaminant plumes is voluminous, particularly for those plumes that have been assessed and are in various stages of remediation. Therefore, information on the plumes is not provided here.

Existing Activities

- Regularly review data and reports from regulatory agencies on contaminant plumes to provide warning of potential future problems.
- Report groundwater contamination to the appropriate regulatory agencies, including the Regional Water Quality Control Board and Department of Toxic Substances Control.

Planned Actions

- Seek to locate recharge basins next to areas with water quality problems to blend water supplies and create a hydraulic barrier to impede movement of contaminant plumes.
- Update maps for all contaminant plumes in the Plan Area.
- Implement some of the viable projects identified in the City of Fresno Nitrate Management Plan to control and reduce nitrate levels in the groundwater.

7.6 - Groundwater Quality Protection

The Fresno groundwater basin has been designated as a Sole Source Aquifer as authorized by Section 14246 of the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974. The designation, made by EPA in 1978, means the Fresno metropolitan area is dependent on a single source of groundwater and that source must be protected from potential contamination. This designation emphasizes the importance of protecting groundwater

quality in the Plan Area. Groundwater comprises the majority of water used in the Plan Area; consequently pollution prevention is a cardinal component of this GMP. Groundwater quality can be protected through stormwater quality management, septic system management, and water vulnerability planning and management, as discussed below.

Stormwater Quality Management Program

The Fresno Nationwide Urban Runoff Program project was conducted between 1981 and 1983 in conjunction with the US EPA's national effort. The results indicated that runoff contains significant levels of many contaminants, including most of the heavy metals and some organic compounds. Most stormwater in the Plan Area is delivered to flood control/recharge basins where it can percolate to the groundwater or accumulate in the vadose zone. Hence, stormwater quality management is essential to protecting the quality of the local groundwater.

In compliance with the federal Clean Water Act and storm water permit regulations, the FMFCD, County of Fresno, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, and California State University at Fresno, developed a Stormwater Quality Management Program. The program is documented in the *Fresno-Clovis Storm Water Quality Management Plan*, prepared in February 1999. As owner and operator of the storm water drainage system serving the metropolitan area, the FMFCD has primary responsibility for implementing this mandated program. The program includes pollution prevention and control practices for drainage system planning, design, construction, and maintenance. The program also includes public education programs; commercial, industrial and new development storm water quality control practices; monitoring to assess storm water impacts; and ordinances to enforce storm water quality controls.

Septic Systems

Septic systems have been identified as a major contributor to high nitrate levels in the local groundwater. Septic systems are still present in rural areas and some urban neighborhoods within the Plan Area. The Plan participants generally do not permit septic systems to be installed in urban areas, and specific rules and regulations must be followed for septic systems installed in rural areas. The gradual decommissioning of septic systems in urban areas is a principal goal for the Plan participants.

Water Vulnerability

The local aquifer can be contaminated through intentional acts such as vandalism and terrorism. As a result, the Plan participants have adopted numerous strategies to prevent intentional contamination such as security cameras, fencing, and frequent water quality testing for contaminants.

Some plan participants have also prepared Vulnerability Assessments and Emergency Response Plans in compliance with the 2002 Bioterrorism Act. The Bioterrorism Act requires communities serving water to more than 3,300 persons to:

1. Conduct a Vulnerability Assessment.
2. Certify and submit a copy of the Vulnerability Assessment to the EPA Administrator.
3. Prepare or revise an Emergency Response Plan based on the results of the vulnerability assessment.
4. Certify to the EPA Administrator, within 6 months of completing the assessment, that an Emergency Response Plan has been completed or updated.

Existing Activities

- A Stormwater Quality Protection Program is being implemented by FMFCD, Fresno, Clovis and the County of Fresno to reduce the volume of stormwater pollutants that reach the groundwater.
- Runoff-borne pollutants are trapped in flood control/recharge basin sediments for subsequent removal. All new basins are constructed in accord with FMFCD design standards that facilitate pollutant entrapment and management.
- Plan participants that are required to have prepared Vulnerability Assessments and Emergency Response Plans will keep these documents updated.
- The County of Fresno enforces rules and regulations for newly installed septic systems to reduce the incidence of nitrate contamination in the groundwater.

Planned Actions

- Plan participants will seek funding to sewer areas still served with septic tanks, when practical.
- Plan participants will seek funds to improve security at their water facilities and reduce the potential for contamination from acts of vandalism or terrorism.
- Plan participants will make use of available tools, such as View Fresno, the City of Fresno's online facility and geographic program, to strictly enforce rules and regulations regarding permits for new septic systems in locations where there is an existing sewer collection system in close proximity.

8 - GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY

The region is dependant on sustaining the long-term available groundwater in the Plan Area, as it is critical to the livelihood and economy of the area. The actions described within this section are intended to maintain or increase the volume of groundwater that is stored within the Plan Area. Water conservation, groundwater recharge, surface water treatment for domestic delivery, and water recycling are some of the efforts that are used within the area to mitigate the groundwater overdraft and replenish the groundwater supply.

Historic groundwater pumping within the urban area has developed a large cone of depression within the Plan Area. At the present time, groundwater replenishment efforts within the Plan Area do not offset the combined effect of groundwater extractions and subsurface outflow. The result is that the groundwater overdraft within just the FID boundary has been estimated to be approximately 20,000 acre-feet annually (FID GMP Supporting Documents, 1995). The overdraft within the Plan Area is believed to be even greater. This overdraft is evidenced by falling groundwater levels, and manifested by increasing costs of groundwater pumping, some groundwater degradation, and the undesirable migration of contaminant plumes. It is the specific goal of the Plan to correct the overdraft and to stabilize groundwater levels at the highest practical beneficial levels.

The Plan participants view groundwater usage tolls as a last resort for reducing groundwater pumping and reducing overdraft. The participants strive to ensure the unrestricted, non-export related, private use of groundwater within the Plan Area. The Plan participants believe that proper management, conservation and education programs will help to stabilize groundwater levels and preclude the need for groundwater usage fees.

8.1 - Groundwater Recharge

Substantial portions of the groundwater basin underlying the Plan Area are subject to conditions of critical overdraft as designated by the California DWR in Bulletin 118-80. Drinking water supplies and much of the agricultural water supply in the Plan Area are currently dependent on groundwater and, as a result, the groundwater resource has been stressed. Groundwater is a renewable resource through its proper management. Groundwater recharge is a viable method of renewing groundwater consumed. Recharge of surface water through the soils to the groundwater reservoir is also an economical alternative to replacing the existing groundwater supply system with a surface water supply system requiring treatment, storage, and delivery facilities.

Stabilization and recovery of the aquifer are the goals of groundwater replenishment and will result in (1) decreasing the pumping lifts and thereby decreasing the energy

needed for pumping; (2) preventing expenditures for deepening wells; and (3) preventing the premature abandonment of wells which would be necessitated by the lowering of the water table.

Groundwater recharge efforts within the Plan Area primarily involve using FID's delivery system to deliver portions of the Fresno and Clovis water allocations to specific FMFCD basins for recharge during the summer when the basins are not needed to control urban storm runoff. FMFCD owns and operates these basins. Not all basins are used for groundwater recharge, as some have been, or will be, converted to recreational facilities such as parks or athletic fields. Within the City of Fresno, the City Water Division and Parks and Recreation Division have developed a recommended designation for the proposed use of each basin during the non-storm season. FMFCD refers to this designation as each basin's secondary use designation. The designations include recharge, recreation, or dual use. The dual use designation is used for basins that have been developed for recreation, but also have a significant area of the basin remaining for recharge. The City's recommendation was considered and approved by FMFCD's Board of Directors. As new storm water basin locations are identified by FMFCD, the City makes a recommended designation for that basin, and it is then presented to FMFCD's Board of Directors for final determination. Recharge capability is an important consideration when making these designations.

To maintain needed groundwater recharge at these basin sites, it is important to preserve the recharge capability provided by the basin sites designated for recharge.

Although some basins are designated as recreation or dual use facilities, they are not developed as a recreational facility for many years because of a lack of funding or the basins not being fully excavated. This interim period can last several years. In some situations, these basins have been utilized for recharge during the interim period before it is converted to a recreational facility. Once a basin is fully developed as a recreational facility, it is no longer utilized for recharge.

Fresno and Clovis both own and operate significant recharge facilities, to which a portion of the cities' water allocations is also delivered using FID's system.

Some areas in the United States, including Arizona and some parts of California, are performing aquifer storage and recovery through wells. In these programs, surface water (often treated) is directly injected to the groundwater aquifer through existing wells during available periods when the well is not needed for extraction, then the recharged water is later extracted from that same well. Although this type of groundwater storage and recovery is not known to be occurring within the Plan Area, there may be application for such a program within certain portions of the Plan Area.

Existing Activities

- Increase groundwater recharge capabilities within the Plan Area.
- Periodically remove sediment and rip the soils in recharge basins to maintain recharge rates.
- Maintain irrigation canals in an unlined or open bottom condition in those locations where it is determined that canal seepage is a significant source of recharge and does not create detrimental side effects.
- Work cooperatively to minimize development on lands that are favorable for artificial recharge.
- Without compromising flood protection, maximize retention and detention periods for stormwater runoff to maximize percolation to groundwater.
- Measure the volume of water delivered to groundwater recharge basins.
- Use FMFCD basins that are designated for recreational use as recharge basins prior to its conversion to a recreational facility.

Planned Activities

- Investigate the feasibility of groundwater recharge using flood control basins in the vicinity of Bakman Water Company.
- Seek funding to investigate the feasibility of groundwater recharge facilities in western Clovis.
- Construct additional interties between conveyance facilities and flood control basins to facilitate groundwater recharge.
- Develop and maintain an inventory of sites in the region that are suitable for recharge.
- Install flowmeters on all unmetered turnouts to recharge basins in FID.
- Prepare a water budget for the Plan Area to estimate total groundwater pumping, intentional recharge, deep percolation, groundwater inflow and outflow, change in groundwater storage, and, ultimately, the safe yield of the local aquifer.
- Investigate feasibility of aquifer storage and recovery within the Plan Area.
- Investigate feasibility of increasing use of surface water for landscape areas.
- Consider recharge capability of FMFCD basins when considering the secondary use designation for that basin.
- Seek to minimize reduction of groundwater recharge capabilities caused by the conversion of basins already designated for recharge purposes to recreational uses by increasing awareness or impacts of lost recharge capability, promoting alternative considerations, and pursuing replacement recharge capability when necessary.

8.2 - Water Conservation and Education

The Plan participants will at all times encourage effective water conservation measures, including residential and on-farm water saving technologies which produce a true savings of water. Plan participants intend to investigate possible incentive programs

that might be made available to landowners and water users to enhance the efficient use of water within the Plan Area. The participants have always been, and will continue to be, committed to efficiently managing water supplies so as to maximize the beneficial use of surface water while enhancing and preserving the groundwater resources to meet the balance of the water needs of the landowners and water users within the Plan Area. The participants will also participate in cooperative conservation efforts with other agencies and private parties.

Existing Activities

The Plan participants practice a variety of measures to educate the public and encourage water conservation. Some of these measures include:

- Watering restrictions on certain days and certain times of the day.
- Educational and informational programs through mailings, newsletters, websites, radio and television commercials, newspaper advertisements and pamphlets.
- Designated water conservation coordinator to enforce conservation measures, assess fines for water wasting, and perform water audits.
- Rebates for low water use fixtures.
- Require new developments to include water conservation fixtures and technology.
- Involvement in organizations that promote water education and water conservation such as the California Water Awareness Campaign, California Water Education Center, and the Water Education Foundation.
- Require new developments to use water conserving technologies, methods, and practices.
- Some participants use water meters and tiered water pricing to encourage conservation through cost savings to the consumer.
- In compliance with AB 2572, the City of Fresno has developed a water meter installation program and schedule. Meter installations will begin about 2008 and are planned for completion in 2013.

Planned Activities

- Share information among the Plan participants on methods that have been successful in conserving water.
- Secure funds to perform metering studies and install water meters at unmetered residential, commercial, and industrial connections.
- Bakman to implement plan to install meters on new development and existing services by 2025.

8.3 - Groundwater Use Limitations

The California Water Code gives certain participants the power to limit or suspend groundwater extractions. However, such limits will only be implemented if the

participants determine through study and investigation that groundwater replenishment programs or other alternative sources of water supply have proved insufficient or infeasible to lessen groundwater demand. In the unlikely event that it becomes necessary to reduce groundwater extractions, the participants intend to accomplish such reductions under a voluntary program, which will include suitable incentives to compensate users for reducing their groundwater pumping. The participants will not attempt to restrict or otherwise interfere with any landowner or water user exercising a valid right to pump and utilize groundwater.

County of Fresno Ordinance No. 00-013 regulates groundwater extractions and requires permits for transferring groundwater outside of the County. The Participants generally do not support groundwater pumping for export out of the Plan Area unless it involves a transfer or exchange of water that will not negatively impact the water supply available to the Plan Area.

Pumping Well Interference from Adjacent Properties

One cause of overdraft within the Plan Area is pumping by adjacent landowners, primarily to the south and west of the Plan Area. This occurs when water users in an area pump groundwater and the extraction well's capture zone entrains groundwater from a neighboring entity.

Most of the pumping by adjacent landowners is not offset by groundwater replenishment, which results in the lowering of groundwater levels. That, in turn, causes a subsurface outflow of groundwater from the Plan Area. Previous estimates place the combined subsurface outflow to the south and west as much as 80,000 acre-feet annually.

The Participants intend to encourage efforts to secure supplemental surface water supplies for these areas outside of the Plan Area that have insufficient surface water supplies. The Participants have and will continue to consider entering into cooperative agreements with water users and/or appropriate agencies located outside the Plan Area's boundaries but within or adjacent to the Kings sub-basin. Such cooperative agreements may implement voluntary programs and/or may provide for other actions acceptable to the participants and the affected water users/agencies. However, in no event will the participants attempt to unilaterally impose limits on the lawful extraction and use of groundwater outside its boundaries, and nothing in this section is intended to confer powers on the participants to act within the boundaries of another agency in contravention of the Water Code.

Existing Activities

- Some agencies do not permit individual wells to be drilled in their service area, and all new development must be connected to the agency's water system.
- Restrictions on groundwater exporting.

Planned Activities

- Encourage efforts to secure supplemental surface water supplies for these areas outside of the Plan Area that have insufficient surface water supplies.

8.4 - Conjunctive Use of Water Resources

Conjunctive use of water is defined as the coordinated use of both underground and surface water sources so that the combination will result in optimum benefits. The members believe that they will continue to be water short for the foreseeable future. Conjunctive use is one method to provide more water to users while conserving groundwater resources.

The Cities of Fresno and Clovis have constructed water treatment plants for treating their surface water entitlements. This will ultimately result in a reduction in groundwater pumping within the Plan Area and should slow declining groundwater levels. The Plan Participants support these efforts and will continue to encourage other local agencies to maximize use of their surface waters to conserve groundwater resources.

Groundwater banking is the process of recharging excess surface water into the aquifer, storing the water in the aquifer for a period of time, then extracting the recharged water for delivery. This process allows surface water supplies to be extended, as available surface water can be captured, stored, and then delivered during periods of higher demand. The Plan participants will limit extraction to a percentage of the banked water such that benefits are derived for all parties involved, including adjacent landowners. In addition, banking and subsequent extraction of the banked water shall, to the extent possible, occur in close proximity to each other unless the affected parties agree otherwise, and there will be no adverse impact on the local groundwater supply. FID is developing the Waldron Banking Facility located near Kerman, and is also considering an additional banking facility in the southern portion of FID.

Direct delivery of surface water from the canal system to areas of large landscaping, such as cemeteries, golf courses, schools and parks, is another example of a conjunctive use program. Untreated surface water is filtered and then pumped into the landscape irrigation system at these sites. Certain regulations and limitations for the use of untreated surface water apply, but it is permissible. The direct delivery reduces the amount of groundwater needed, and can be less expensive than delivering surface water treated to drinking water standards. Within the Plan Area, only one school site, one park and one cemetery are known to currently be utilizing surface water for irrigation. The large irrigated turf locations are a primary concern, however there are also other locations in the western United States, including California, that are providing direct delivery of surface water for landscaping irrigation at residences. This is not being performed within the Plan Area, but is being considered.

Existing Activities

- Pending development of Waldron Banking Facility.
- Delivery of surface water for landscaping to a few areas of large irrigated turf.

Planned Activities

- Encourage and assist landowners and water users in the transfer of water into the Plan Area, which will have the effect of causing "in lieu" recharge.
- Pursue the acquisition of new water supplies should they become available at affordable costs.
- Support the development of new surface storage and water supply projects that would permit the participants to better utilize surface water supplies.
- Expand conveyance systems to provide surface water to additional land.
- Wherever appropriate and practical, encourage groundwater conservation through the use of available surface irrigation water for non-agricultural purposes.
- Encourage those municipal water agencies that have not already done so to contract for available surface water.
- Work with all appropriate public agencies, private organizations, and individuals within and outside of the plan area to protect existing surface water rights and supplies.
- Seek opportunities to increase conservation storage through groundwater banking programs or off-stream storage to help balance full contract supply years with drought years.
- Construct additional surface water treatment plant capacity for the Cities of Fresno and Clovis.
- Investigate additional groundwater banking facilities.
- Investigate and encourage use of surface water for irrigation of large irrigated turf such as schools, golf courses, cemeteries and parks.

8.5 - Wastewater Reclamation and Recycling

The recycling or reclamation of treated wastewater will extend the overall water supply within the Plan Area. The Regional Water Quality Control Board regulates the use of recycled water based on the treatment method of treatment facilities. While wastewater treatment methods are outside the scope of this plan, the overall water supply of the Plan Area is extended by the reuse of this water.

Wastewater within the City of Fresno is currently piped to the Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility, as shown in Figure 2-1. This facility provides secondary level treatment, and nearly all of the effluent is sent to percolation ponds at the facility. A portion of the water is then reclaimed through a series of reclamation wells, and delivered to FID facilities for on-farm irrigation. The water reclaimed is metered, and the amount delivered is approximately 26,000 acre-feet per year.

Malaga County Water District and the City of Kerman also operate smaller wastewater treatment facilities. The City of Kerman currently delivers tertiary treated wastewater from its facility to neighboring agricultural lands for irrigation. There are other smaller wastewater treatment facilities that are distributing treated wastewater for landscape and irrigation purposes.

The City of Clovis is planning construction of a WWTF in the northeast portion of the Plan Area. The City is also planning to construct distribution facilities for delivering tertiary treated water from this facility to irrigate large landscape areas, including parks, local street and Caltrans right of way landscaping, and agricultural irrigation at California State University Fresno.

Existing Activities

- Delivery of reclaimed water at the Fresno-Clovis Regional WWTF.
- Direct application of effluent for irrigation at the Kerman WWTF.

Planned Activities

- Explore opportunities to optimize reuse of reclaimed water from the Fresno-Clovis Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility.
- Institute water recycling program planned for reuse of wastewater at the proposed Clovis wastewater treatment facility.
- Encourage higher level treatment facilities to facilitate less restricted use of recycled water.
- Encourage new developments to incorporate dual water systems. The secondary water system would use recycled water or groundwater of marginal quality for landscape irrigation.

8.6 - Operation of Facilities

The construction and proper operation of groundwater management facilities is an important facet of this plan. New facilities are needed to keep pace with increased water demands and the desire for improved management.

The participants have a number of opportunities to further improve and enhance the water and groundwater supplies of its landowners and neighbors. The participants will continue to evaluate potential projects that would involve the construction and operation of additional groundwater management facilities. Additional groundwater management facilities can provide needed flexibility and thus allow more optimal management of the groundwater.

Lastly, the members strive to provide the best facilities for delivery of surface water supplies, since they are used conjunctively with groundwater. The members realize that the success of conjunctive-use programs is often contingent on the quality of surface water and conveyance systems.

Existing Activities

- Policy to keep canals unlined where practical to allow for groundwater recharge.
- Cooperative use of stormwater facilities for groundwater recharge.
- Frequent maintenance of recharge ponds to maintain higher infiltration rates.

Planned Activities

- Maintain and upgrade conveyance facilities for capacity and stability.
- Improve canal maintenance procedures to eliminate or reduce canal downtime for deliveries to surface water treatment facilities.

9 - GROUNDWATER PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

9.1 - Plan Implementation

The Participants have executed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to facilitate the implementation of this Plan. This Plan and associated agreement, serve as a mechanism for cooperative efforts amongst the participants and other agencies within the region. Many of the activities described in the Plan target specific locations within the Plan Area, and therefore may involve only one or a few of the participants. Although certain activities may only involve some participants, the TAC meetings will serve as the primary forum for coordination of cooperative efforts. The annual report will also summarize all related activities within the Plan Area. Implementation of this Plan is expected to result in significant amounts of new knowledge and an achievable improvement in groundwater management in the basin. The participants also recognize that implementing the GMP is in the best interest of their water users. The participants plan to continue all of the 'Existing Activities' listed throughout this Plan. Implementation of each of these tasks would be beneficial to the Plan participants, but will be contingent on available staff time and funding.

Planned Activities

- Implement the Planned Activities described in the Plan.
- TAC to meet semi-annually to discuss regional groundwater management. Comments on the content and value of the GMP will be solicited at each meeting.
- Prepare Annual Reports and Reevaluate the Plan as described herein.

9.2 - Groundwater Reports

The Participants will prepare groundwater reports every year to document groundwater levels, available groundwater storage, historical trends, groundwater quality, and progress on groundwater projects. This information will be used to forecast future problems, plan future groundwater projects, and develop new groundwater policies.

Existing Activities

- Several agencies prepare reports (i.e. water supply reports, water master plans, water conservation plans, urban water management plans, etc.) that document groundwater conditions. These reports will continue to be prepared for use in assessing groundwater conditions within individual agencies.

Planned Activities

- Prepare Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan Annual Report and include information on all of the Plan participants. Plan will likely include:
  - Groundwater level data
  - Groundwater contour maps
  - Groundwater storage calculations (using specific yield values for each township and range)
  - Evaluation of one-year and five-year historical trends in groundwater levels, contours, and storage, and perceived reasons for any changes
  - Estimation of deliveries to recharge basins
  - Summary of important groundwater management actions during the period covered by the report
  - Discussion on whether management actions are meeting the management objectives
  - Summary of proposed management actions for the future
  - Summary of actions taken to coordinate with other water management, land-use and government agencies
  - Summary of groundwater related actions taken by other regional groups
  - Recommendations for changes in the content or format of the annual report
  - Recommendations for updates to the GMP

- The annual report will cover the prior calendar year and will be completed each year by May 31st.

9.3 - Plan Re-evaluation

Most of the strategies that make up this Plan are established policies, procedures, and ordinances. The goal of this document is to codify them for purposes of identifying an overall management program. Implementation of the various components of the Plan will continue on an on-going basis. As new policies, practices, or ordinances become necessary or desirable to enhance groundwater management, this Plan will be amended as necessary.

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) will be responsible for monitoring the progress of the GMP objectives. Refer to Section 5.1 for more information on the membership, policies, and procedures of the TAC. The TAC will attempt to meet twice each year to review and evaluate groundwater conditions as well as evaluate the effectiveness of the GMP.

Planned Activities

- The TAC will meet semi-annually to discuss regional groundwater management. Comments on the content and value of the GMP will be solicited at each meeting.

- Recommendations for modifying, updating, or expanding the GMP will be recorded annually in the Plan Group's Annual Groundwater Report.
- The GMP will be revised through a formal public process every five years, or earlier if a sufficient quantity of revisions, updates, and additions have been identified.

9.4 - Land Use Planning

The intent of this Plan is not to dictate land-use planning policies, but rather to establish some land-use planning goals that can aid in protecting and preserving groundwater resources. Some of the Plan participants have direct land-use planning authority while others do not. However, all of the participants have the opportunity to comment on environmental documents for land-use related activities. The Plan participants will attempt to work cooperatively with other agencies to minimize adverse impacts to groundwater supplies and quality as a result of proposed land-use changes. Some specific land-use planning goals include: (1) preserving areas with high groundwater recharge potential for recharge activities; (2) protecting areas sensitive to groundwater contamination; (3) requiring hydrogeologic investigations, water master plans, and proven and sustainable water supplies for all new developments; and (4) requiring appropriate mitigation for any adverse impacts that land use changes have on groundwater resources. A map showing the extent of the general urbanization within the Plan Area is included as Figure 9-1.

Existing Activities

- Notify residents and agencies of projects that have the potential to impact groundwater within their sphere of influence.
- When appropriate, comment on environmental documents and land-use plans that have the potential to impact groundwater.

Planned Activities

- Determine ways to improve communication between County, Cities and other Private/Public agencies regarding landuse changes that may have an impact on groundwater.

9.5 - Dispute Resolution

Each participant has their own mechanisms for dispute resolution related to groundwater issues. These may include procedures for filing complaints and appeals to a manager, board, or committee. The Plan participants recognize the importance of groundwater as their primary water source and will work diligently to resolve any groundwater disputes according to their internal rules and regulations.

This regional GMP will provide a forum for the participants to discuss groundwater related disputes and identify possible solutions. In addition, it is envisioned that the

regional coordination, improved communication, and multi-party projects that develop as part of this Plan will help to reduce future conflicts among the participants.

Planned Activities

- Discuss issues of concern at semi-annual TAC meeting. Provide recommendations for resolution if appropriate.

9.6 - Program Funding and Fees

Funding individual activities described in this Plan will be provided for in each agency's individual budget. Funding of the Plan preparation and annual report are included in the MOU for implementation. The Plan participants have a variety of options for funding groundwater projects as discussed below.

Water Replenishment Fees

Included in the authority granted to local agencies under the California Water Code were the powers to limit groundwater extractions and implement water replenishment fees based upon the amount of water extracted (extraction based fees must first be approved by majority vote of impacted landowners). Inherent in these powers is the authority to implement metering of private wells. These are considered measures of last resort and the members will make any and all efforts to ensure the private, non-metered use of groundwater by their water users.

Capital Improvement Fees

Some participants have the authority to finance capital improvement projects and collect repayment charges from the benefited parties. This process would require a favorable vote from the constituency approving the repayment fees prior to implementation, and is considered a realistic alternative for large capital projects to improve groundwater facilities.

Grants

Some participants have successfully acquired funding from the DWR and other public agencies for projects that are consistent with the goals of their Groundwater Management Plan. The participants will continue to pursue available grants and low-interest loans from the DWR as well as other state and federal agencies.

Other Revenue Sources

Groundwater projects are also financed through a variety of water user fees, property taxes, sales taxes, fine payments, and development impact fees.

Cost Sharing Agreement

Costs for GMP updates, annual groundwater reports, and other projects involving all of the Plan participants will be distributed according to an accepted cost-sharing agreement that is documented in the MOU.

Planned Activities

- Share information on funding opportunities for groundwater related projects.
- Identify beneficial groundwater projects that become economically feasible when costs are shared among two or more participants.

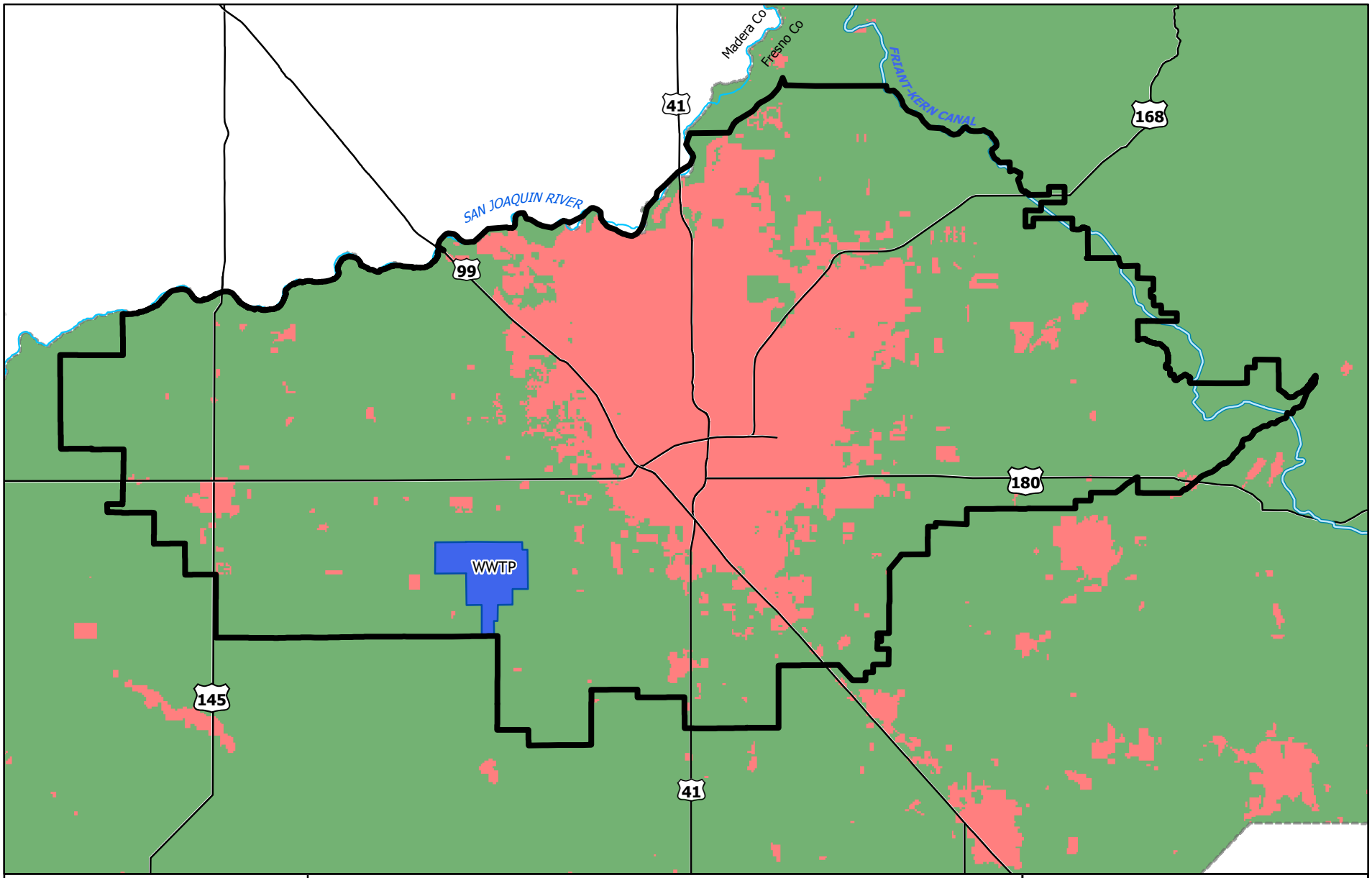

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Figure 9-1

Landuse Map

Fresno-Area Regional
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FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

APPENDIX A

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN PLAN ADOPTION

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-09

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

FOR INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District adopted a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on August 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the District's Board of Directors believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the Fresno Irrigation District; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Fresno Irrigation District as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the Fresno Irrigation District to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;

2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;

3. After such a plan has been prepared, a second public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5, et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;

4. That the officers of the Fresno Irrigation District are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of intention to update the District's groundwater management plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;

5. That the Board of Directors hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Fresno Irrigation District that the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan be developed to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938.

The General Manager of the Fresno Irrigation District is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, make investigations, sign, and file such application with the California Department of Water Resources.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Fresno Irrigation District on August 10, 2005.

Jacob C Andresen

Jacob C. Andresen, President

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, GARY SERRATO, Secretary of the Fresno Irrigation District hereby certify that the Board of Directors at a regular meeting on August 10, 2005 adopted the foregoing Resolution by the following roll call vote:

	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
President Andresen	✓			
Vice-President Boswell	✓			
Director Niederfrank	✓			
Director Balls	✓			
Director Neely	✓			

Gary R. Serrato

Gary R. Serrato, Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 05-140

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLOVIS, CALIFORNIA, TO ADOPT THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clovis adopted a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on November 17, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clovis desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Clovis City Council believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Clovis City Council believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the City of Clovis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Clovis City Council as follows:

1. It is the intention of the City of Clovis to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the Fresno Irrigation District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;
2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;
3. After such a plan has been prepared in accordance with all applicable law, including but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act, a second public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5, et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;
4. That the officers of the City of Clovis are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of intention to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;
5. That the Clovis City Council hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Clovis that the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan be developed to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938.

The Director of Public Utilities of the City of Clovis is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, make investigations, sign, and file such application with the California Department of Water Resources.

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The foregoing resolution was introduced and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Clovis held on September 6, 2005 by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmembers Armstrong, Ashbeck, Flores, Whalen, Mayor Magsig

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

DATED: September 6, 2005

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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BAKMAN WATER COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION.

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bakman Water Company was held at the Bakman Water Co. office located at 5105 E. Belmont Ave, Fresno, California.

Date: July 8, 2005 **Time**: 9:00am

Officers present were Richard Tim Bakman, Virginia Bakman, and Dottie Patton.

On July 8, 2005, a special meeting was called to discuss the possibility of being a part of **Memorandum of Understanding** regarding The Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan.

Purpose This MOU is intended to promote and to provide a means to establish an orderly process to share information, develop courses of action, and to resolve any issues with respect to the cooperative development of the groundwater management plan and with respect to the administration of the groundwater management plan. Administration will include coordination of data received from each party, public noticing, meetings and annual reporting as described herein. This MOU memorializes the interests, intent and responsibilities of the parties with respect to the adoption of a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code to provide for collection of data and the development of a plan for the management of groundwater resources within the jurisdictions of the parties hereto.

Payment of Costs Each of the parties hereto shall contribute to the cost of updating the groundwater management plan in accordance with the obligations specified in Exhibit "2" attached hereto. Additionally, any ongoing fees or costs incurred in the administration of the plan (as administration is defined and limited in Section 1 of this MOU) or of this Memorandum of Understanding will be shared by the parties in accordance with percentages identified in Exhibit "2".

The following being all of the directors of Bakman Water Company, hereby consent to and agree to be a part of the **Memorandum of Understanding** regarding The Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan.

Richard Tim Bakman Water

Virginia A. Bakman

Dottie Patton, Secretary/Treasurer

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-386

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, FOR INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District adopted a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on August 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

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WHEREAS, the Council believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the City of Fresno.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the City of Fresno to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;
2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;
3. After such a plan has been prepared in accordance with all applicable law, including but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act, a second public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5, et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;
4. That the officers of the City of Fresno are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of intention to update the District's groundwater management plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;
5. That the Council hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan be developed to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Department of Public Utilities is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, make investigations, sign, and file such application with the California Department of Water Resources.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, REBECCA E. KLISCH, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the 20th day of September, 2005.

AYES : Boyajian, Calhoun, Duncan, Perea, Sterling, Westerlund, Dages
NOES : None
ABSENT : None
ABSTAIN : None

REBECCA E. KLISCH
City Clerk

BY: Rebecca E. Klisch
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

BY: _____
Chief Assistant City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 05-___

RESOLUTION OF THE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PINEDALE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

FOR INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the Pinedale County Water District desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the Pinedale County Water District,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the Pinedale County Water District to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;

2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;

3. After such a plan has been prepared in accordance with all applicable law, including but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act, a second public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5, et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;

4. That the officers of Pinedale County Water District are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of intention to update the District's groundwater management plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;

5. That the Board of Directors hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Pinedale County Water District that the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan be developed to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938.

The General Manager of the Pinedale County Water District is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, make investigations, sign, and file such application with the California Department of Water Resources.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Pinedale County Water District on 10/5, 2005.

John Garcia

(General Manager)

FRESNO METROPOLITAN FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

CERTIFICATION

I, Esther Schwandt, as Clerk to the Board of Directors of the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of **Resolution No. 2005-473** adopted by the Board of Directors on **August 24, 2005**, the original of which is on file at the District office.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District.

Esther Schwandt
Clerk to the Board

October 10, 2005
Date

Original document bears our embossment

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RESOLUTION NO. 2005-473

BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FRESNO METROPOLITAN FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, "District", desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the District,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the District to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the Fresno Irrigation District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;
2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;
3. After such a plan has been prepared in accordance with all applicable law, including but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act, a second public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5, et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;

4. That the officers of District are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of intention to update the Fresno Irrigation District's groundwater management plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;
5. That the Board of Directors hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the District that the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan be developed to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938.

The General Manager-Secretary of the District is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, make investigations, sign, and file such application with the California Department of Water Resources.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of August 2005 by the following vote to wit:

AYES: Franco, Spina, Marcus, Groom, Welton, Williams and Rastegar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION NO. 05-54

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KERMAN APPROVING ENTERING INTO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT (FID) AND OTHER AGENCIES AND WATER COMPANIES ON GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (GWMP) FOR KERMAN

WHEREAS. the City Council of the City of Kerman ("Kerman") as the legislative body of the City, has authorized the negotiation of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Fresno Irrigation District ("District"), the City of Fresno ("Fresno"), the City of Clovis ("Clovis"), the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District ("Metropolitan"), the Bakman Water Company ("Company"), the City of Kerman ("Kerman"), the County of Fresno ("County"), the Malaga County Water District ("Malaga"), and the Pinedale County Water District ("Pinedale") to provide a means to promote an orderly process to share information, develop courses of action, and to resolve any issues with respect to the cooperative development and administration of the groundwater management plan; and

WHEREAS, the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), Exhibit "A" memorializes the interests, intent and responsibilities of the parties with respect to the adoption of the groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code; and

WHEREAS, conditions of the MOU are as outlined therein under Conditions and Covenants 1 through 12.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KERMAN RESOLVES THAT the City Manager is authorized to sign the Memorandum of Understanding regarding The Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan and the City Clerk is to attest.

The foregoing resolution was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Kerman held on the 6th day of July, 2005, and passed at said meeting by the following vote:

AYES:	Cromartie, Rodriguez, Sidhu, Stockwell
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Moore
ABSTAIN:	None

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The foregoing resolution is hereby approved.

ATTEST:

MAYOR, CITY OF KERMAN

CITY CLERK, CITY OF KERMAN

CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

EDITH M. FORSSTROM does hereby certify as follows:

That she is the City Clerk of the City of Kerman and that the foregoing Resolution, being Resolution No. 05-54 was passed at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Kerman held on the 6th day of July, 2005 and she further certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of said Resolution No. 05-54 so adopted.

Edith M Forsstrom

EDITH M. FORSSTROM, City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 05-08-23

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

FOR INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on August 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the Malaga County Water District desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the Malaga County Water District,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the Malaga County Water District to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;

2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;

3. After such a plan has been prepared in accordance with all applicable law, including but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act, a second public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5, et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;

4. That the officers of Malaga County Water District are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of intention to update the District's groundwater management plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;

5. That the Board of Directors hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Malaga County Water District that the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan be developed to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938.

The General Manager of the Malaga County Water District is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, make investigations, sign, and file such application with the California Department of Water Resources.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Malaga County Water District on August 23, 2005.

Russ Holcomb
General Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 05-1201

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GARFIELD WATER DISTRICT

FOR INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Garfield Water District desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Garfield Water District has agreed to the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Bakman Water Company desire to have the Garfield Water District participate in the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on December 8, 2005 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the Garfield Water District,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the Garfield Water District to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;

2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;

3. After such a plan has been prepared in accordance with all applicable law, including but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act, a second public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5, et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;

4. That the officers of Garfield Water District are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of intention to update the District's groundwater management plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;

5. That the Board of Directors hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Garfield Water District that the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan be developed to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938.

The Secretary of the Garfield Water District is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, make investigations, sign, and file such application with the California Department of Water Resources.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Garfield Water District on December 8, 2005.

Katherine B. Alves
Secretary

office, 2917 East Shepherd Avenue, Clovis, California. Opportunity for public questions and input will be provided at the hearing.

In compliance with Water Code Section 10753.4 (b), landowners and other interested parties who wish to participate in updating the groundwater management plan, may do so by attending the hearing and indicating their interest or by submitting a written letter to Gary Serrato, Secretary, Fresno Irrigation District, 2907 S. Maple Avenue, Fresno, California 93725.

/s/ **Katherine Alves**
November 21, 2005 Secretary
(PUB: November 26, 2005)

November 26, 2005

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated NOVEMBER 26, 2005

Cathy Hamlen

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PROVOST & PRICHARD

ATTN: MICHAEL TAYLOR

286 W CROMWELL AVE

FRESNO , CA 937116162

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXHIBIT A.

PUBLIC NOTICE

#104099

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION FOR INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, Bakman Water Company, City of Kerman, County of Fresno, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Garfield Water District should adopt a resolution of intention to adopt a Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938. This regional groundwater management plan will replace the existing groundwater management plans adopted by the Fresno Irrigation District and the City of Clovis. This regional groundwater management plan will also replace the County of Fresno's existing groundwater management plan for the portion of the county within the plan area.

The resolution adopted by each party reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District , Bakman Water Company and Garfield Water District have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the (party) desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the (party's governing body) believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the (party's governing body) believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the (party),

BE IT RESOLVED, by the (party's governing body) as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the (party) to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;
2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with

The undersigned states:

McClatchy Newspapers in and on all dates herein stated was a corporation, and the owner and publisher of The Fresno Bee.

The Fresno Bee is a daily newspaper of general circulation now published, and on all-the-dates herein stated was published in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, and has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, under the date of November 22, 1994, Action No. 520058-9.

The undersigned is and on all dates herein mentioned was a citizen of the United States, over the age of twenty-one years, and is the principal clerk of the printer and publisher of said newspaper; and that the notice, a copy of which is hereto annexed, marked Exhibit A, hereby made a part hereof, was published in The Fresno Bee in each issue thereof (in type not smaller than nonpareil), on the following dates.

12/20 . 12/27/05

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated DECEMBER 27,2005

Aiko Yamani

PROVOST & PRICHARD

ATTN: MICHAEL TAYLOR

286 W CROMWELL AVE

FRESNO , CA 937116162

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXHIBIT A.

PUBLIC NOTICE

#173824

NOTICE OF HEARING ON INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at 4:30 pm on the 10th day of August, 2005, at the office of the Fresno Irrigation District at 2907 S. Maple Avenue, Fresno, California, a public hearing will be held to discuss whether or not the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, Bakman Water Company, City of Kerman, County of Fresno, Malaga County Water District and Pinedale County Water District should adopt a resolution of intention to adopt a Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938. This regional groundwater management plan will replace the existing groundwater management plans adopted by the Fresno Irrigation District and the City of Clovis. This regional groundwater management plan will also replace the County of Fresno's existing groundwater management plan for the portion of the county within the plan area.

Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas.

Landowners within these agency boundaries and other interested parties are invited to attend the hearing. Copies of the proposed resolution and other relevant written materials will be available for review by the public at the hearing or may be obtained in advance at the District Office, 2907 S. Maple Avenue, Fresno, California 93725. Opportunity for public questions & input will be provided at the hearing.

In compliance with Water Code 10753.4 (b), landowners and other interested parties who wish to participate in updating the groundwater management plan, including becoming a member of a technical advisory committee, may do so by attending the hearing and indicating their interest or by submitting a written letter to Gary Serrato, Secretary, Fresno Irrigation District, 2907 S. Maple Avenue, Fresno, California 93725.

/s/ Gary Serrato
General Manager

FPROC July 21, 2005

(PUB: July 26, August 2, 2005)

The undersigned states:

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The Fresno Bee is a daily newspaper of general circulation now published, and on all-the-dates herein stated was published in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, and has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, under the date of November 22, 1994, Action No. 520058-9.

The undersigned is and on all dates herein mentioned was a citizen of the United States, over the age of twenty-one years, and is the principal clerk of the printer and publisher of said newspaper; and that the notice, a copy of which is hereto annexed, marked Exhibit A, hereby made a part hereof, was published in The Fresno Bee in each issue thereof (in type not smaller than nonpareil), on the following dates.

July 26, 2005;
August 2, 2005

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated AUGUST 2, 2005

Cathy Figueroa

EXHIBIT A.

PUBLIC NOTICE

#104099

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION FOR INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, Bakman Water Company, City of Kerman, County of Fresno, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Garfield Water District should adopt a resolution of intention to adopt a Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938. This regional groundwater management plan will replace the existing groundwater management plans adopted by the Fresno Irrigation District and the City of Clovis. This regional groundwater management plan will also replace the County of Fresno's existing groundwater management plan for the portion of the county within the plan area.

The resolution adopted by each party reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District , Bakman Water Company and Garfield Water District have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the (party) desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the (party's governing body) believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the (party's governing body) believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the (party),

BE IT RESOLVED, by the (party's governing body) as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the (party) to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;
2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;
3. After such a plan has been prepared in accordance with all applicable law, including but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act, a second public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5, et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;
4. That the officers of (party) are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of intention to update the District's groundwater management plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;
5. That the (party's governing body) hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

RESOLVED by the (party's governing body) of the (party) that the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan be developed to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938.

The of the (party) is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, make investigations, sign, and file such application with the California Department of Water Resources.

The resolutions were adopted on the following dates: Fresno Irrigation District on 8/10/2005, City of Clovis on 9/6/2005, Bakman Water Company on 7/8/2005, County of Fresno on 10/11/2005, City of Fresno on 9/20/2005, Pinedale County Water District on 10/5/2005, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District on 8/24/2005, City of Kerman on 7/6/2005, Malaga County Water District on 8/23/2005, and Garfield Water District on 12/8/2005.

(PUB: December 20,27, 2005)

PROVOST & PRICHARD

ATTN: MICHAEL TAYLOR

286 W CROMWELL AVE

FRESNO , CA 937116162

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXHIBIT A.

PUBLIC NOTICE

#47015

NOTICE OF HEARING ON INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at five o'clock on the 25th day of January, 2006, at the office of the Fresno Irrigation District at 2907 S. Maple Avenue, Fresno, California, a public hearing will be held to discuss whether or not the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, Bakman Water Company, City of Kerman, County of Fresno, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District, and Garfield Water District should adopt a resolution of intention to adopt a Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938. This regional groundwater management plan will replace the existing groundwater management plans adopted by the Fresno Irrigation District and the City of Clovis. This regional groundwater management plan will also replace the County of Fresno's existing groundwater management plan for the portion of the county within the plan area.

Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas. The Plan includes the required sections for groundwater management plan, as cited in Section 10753 of the California Water Code and Department of Water Resources recommendations as indicated in DWR Bulletin 118, Appendix C. A Technical Advisory Committee of agency representatives and landowners has provided input for the development of the Plan. The Plan includes regional groundwater management objectives, and a listing of existing and planned groundwater management actions to accomplish these objectives.

Landowners within these agency boundaries and other interested parties are invited to attend the hearing. Copies of the proposed resolution and other relevant written materials will be available for review by the public at the hearing or may be obtained in advance at the District Office, 2907 S. Maple Avenue, Fresno, California 93725. Opportunity for public questions & input will be provided at the hearing.

In compliance with Water Code Section 10753.4 (b), landowners and other interested parties who wish to participate in updating the groundwater management plan, including becoming a member of a technical advisory committee, may do so by attending the hearing and indicating their interest or by submitting a written letter to Gary Serrato, Secretary, Fresno Irrigation District, 2907 S. Maple Avenue, Fresno, California 93725.

/s/ Gary Serrato
General Manager

January 5, 2006

(PUB: January 10,17, 2006)

The undersigned states:

McClatchy Newspapers in and on all dates herein stated was a corporation, and the owner and publisher of The Fresno Bee.

The Fresno Bee is a daily newspaper of general circulation now published, and on all-the-dates herein stated was published in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, and has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, under the date of November 22, 1994, Action No. 520058-9.

The undersigned is and on all dates herein mentioned was a citizen of the United States, over the age of twenty-one years, and is the principal clerk of the printer and publisher of said newspaper; and that the notice, a copy of which is hereto annexed, marked Exhibit A, hereby made a part hereof, was published in The Fresno Bee in each issue thereof (in type not smaller than nonpareil), on the following dates.

January 10, 17, 2006

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated JANUARY 17,2006

Cathy Aguilera

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PROVOST & PRICHARD

ATTN: MICHAEL TAYLOR

286 W CROMWELL AVE

FRESNO , CA 937116162

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXHIBIT A.

PUBLIC NOTICE

#167234

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION FOR INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, Bakman Water Company, City of Kerman, County of Fresno, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Garfield Water District should adopt a resolution of intention to adopt a Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938. This regional groundwater management plan will replace the existing groundwater management plans adopted by the Fresno Irrigation District and the City of Clovis. This regional groundwater management plan will also replace the County of Fresno's existing groundwater management plan for the portion of the county within the plan area.

The resolution adopted by each party reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District , Bakman Water Company and Garfield Water District have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the (party) desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the (party's governing body) believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the (party's governing body) believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the (party),

BE IT RESOLVED, by the (party's governing body) as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the (party) to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;
2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;
3. After such a plan has been prepared in accordance with all applicable law, including but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act, a second public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5, et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;

The undersigned states:

McClatchy Newspapers in and on all dates herein stated was a corporation, and the owner and publisher of The Fresno Bee.

The Fresno Bee is a daily newspaper of general circulation now published, and on all-the-dates herein stated was published in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, and has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of Fresno, State of California, under the date of November 22, 1994, Action No. 520058-9.

The undersigned is and on all dates herein mentioned was a citizen of the United States, over the age of twenty-one years, and is the principal clerk of the printer and publisher of said newspaper; and that the notice, a copy of which is hereto annexed, marked Exhibit A, hereby made a part hereof, was published in The Fresno Bee in each issue thereof (in type not smaller than nonpareil), on the following dates.

November 24, December 1, 2006

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated DECEMBER 1,2006

Cathy Hamlen

EXHIBIT A.

PUBLIC NOTICE

#167234

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION FOR INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, Bakman Water Company, City of Kerman, County of Fresno, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District and Garfield Water District should adopt a resolution of intention to adopt a Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938. This regional groundwater management plan will replace the existing groundwater management plans adopted by the Fresno Irrigation District and the City of Clovis. This regional groundwater management plan will also replace the County of Fresno's existing groundwater management plan for the portion of the county within the plan area.

The resolution adopted by each party reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District , Bakman Water Company and Garfield Water District have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the (party) desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the (party's governing body) believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the (party's governing body) believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the (party),

BE IT RESOLVED, by the (party's governing body) as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the (party) to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the District's consultant is hereby authorized and directed to draft such a plan;
2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;
3. After such a plan has been prepared in accordance with all applicable law, including but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act, a second public hearing will be conducted in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5, et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;
4. That the officers of (party) are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of intention to update the District's groundwater management plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;
5. That the (party's governing body) hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

RESOLVED by the (party's governing body) of the (party) that the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan be developed to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938.

The (agency authorized representative) of the (party) is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, make investigations, sign, and file such application with the California Department of Water Resources.

The resolutions were adopted on the following dates: Fresno Irrigation District on 1/25/06, City of Clovis on 2/13/06, Bakman Water Company on 3/13/06, County of Fresno on 7/18/06, City of Fresno on 4/18/06; Pinedale County Water District on 9/20/06, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District on 2/8/06, City of Kerman on 3/1/06, Malaga County Water District on 2/14/06, and Garfield Water District on 11/1/06.

(PUB: November 24, December 1, 2006)

FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

APPENDIX B

RESOLUTIONS TO ADOPT PLAN

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-03

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

ADOPTING THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on August 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District, Garfield Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the intent to prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Fresno Irrigation District adopted a Resolution of Intent to Prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan on August 10, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the public was invited to participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management and a Technical Advisory Committee comprised of landowners and participant representatives was formed and met regularly to develop the Plan; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on January 25, 2006 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the adoption of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan is in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the Fresno Irrigation District,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. That the Board of Directors of the Fresno Irrigation District does hereby adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan as submitted on the date of this resolution.

2. That the officers of Fresno Irrigation District are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;

3. That the Board of Directors hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Fresno Irrigation District on January 25, 2006.

Jacob C. Andresen

Jacob C. Andresen, President

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I hereby certify that I am the Secretary of the Fresno Irrigation District and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of said District at the Special Meeting duly held in Fresno, California on January 25, 2006, at which meeting a quorum of said Board of Directors was at all times present and acting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said District this 25th day of January, 2006.

Gary R. Serrato, Secretary

	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
President Andresen	✓			
Vice-President Boswell	✓			
Director Niederfrank	✓			
Director Balls	✓			
Director Neely	✓			

RESOLUTION NO. 06-37

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLOVIS ADOPTING THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clovis adopted a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on November 17, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District, Garfield Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clovis desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the intent to prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Clovis adopted a Resolution of Intention to Adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan on September 6, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the public was invited to participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management and a Technical Advisory Committee comprised of landowners and participant representatives was formed and met regularly to develop the Plan; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on January 25, 2006 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Clovis City Council believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Clovis City Council believes the adoption of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan is in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the City of Clovis,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Clovis City Council as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. That the Council of the City of Clovis does hereby adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan as submitted on the date of this resolution.

2. That the officers of the City of Clovis are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of adoption of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;

3. That the Clovis City Council hereby authorizes the Public Utilities Director to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

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The foregoing resolution was introduced and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Clovis held on February 13, 2006, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Councilmembers Armstrong, Ashbeck, Flores, Whalen

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor Magsig

ABSTAIN: None

DATED: February 13, 2006

CITY OF CLOVIS ★ 1912 ★ INCORPORATED FEBRUARY 27

Mayor

City Clerk

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, Diana Stice, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Clovis do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of Resolution 06-37 dated February 13, 2006 as it appears in the Office of the City Clerk.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the City of Clovis on February 22, 2006.

CITY OF CLOVIS ★ 1912 ★ INCORPORATED FEBRUARY 27

Diana Stice

Diana Stice, Deputy City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 06-01

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BAKMAN WATER COMPANY

ADOPTING THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on August 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District, Garfield Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the Bakman Water Company desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the intent to prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Bakman Water Company adopted a Resolution of Intent to Prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan on August 10, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the public was invited to participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management and a Technical Advisory Committee comprised of landowners and participant representatives was formed and met regularly to develop the Plan; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on January 25, 2006 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the adoption of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan is in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the Bakman Water Company,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. That the Board of Directors of the Bakman Water Company does hereby adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan as submitted on the date of this resolution.

2. That the officers of Bakman Water Company are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;

3. That the Board of Directors hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Bakman Water Company on March 13, 2006.

President

BAKMAN WATER COMPANY

TELEPHONE (559) 255-0324 • P.O. BOX 7965 • 5105 E. BELMONT • FRESNO, CA 93747

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BAKMAN WATER COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION.

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bakman Water Company was held at the Bakman Water Co. office located at 5105 E. Belmont Ave, Fresno, California.

Date: March 13, 2006 **Time**: 9:00am

Officers present were Richard Tim Bakman, Virginia Bakman, and Dottie Patton.

On March 13, 2005, a special meeting was called to discuss the possibility of adopting the **Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan**

The following being all of the directors of Bakman Water Company, hereby PASSED AND ADOPTED the **Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan** on March 13, 2006.

Richard Tim Bakman

Virginia A. Bakman

Dottie Patton, Secretary/Treasurer

RESOLUTION NO. 06-464

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF FRESNO

ADOPTING THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on August 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District, Garfield Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the intent to prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno adopted a Resolution of Intent to Prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan on October 11, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the public was invited to participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management and a Technical Advisory Committee comprised of landowners and participant representatives was formed and met regularly to develop the Plan; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on January 25, 2006 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors believes the adoption of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan is in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the County of Fresno,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. That the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno do hereby adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan as submitted on the date of this resolution.

2. That the officers of County of Fresno are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;

3. That the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

THE FOREGOING was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 18th day of July, 2006, to-wit:

AYES: Supervisors Anderson, Case, Perea, Waterston, Larson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

CHAIRMAN, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BERNICE E. SEIDEL, Clerk
Board of Supervisors

By _____ Deputy

Agenda #5

Resolution #06-464

CERTIFICATE OF DELIVERY OF DOCUMENT

I am employed by the County of Fresno as a Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. On July 18, 2006, I delivered a copy of Resolution No. 06-464 to the Chairman of the Fresno County Board of Supervisors.

Javier Flores, Deputy Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-146

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District adopted a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on August 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District, Garfield Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the intent to prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Fresno adopted a Resolution of Intent to Prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan on September 20, 2005; and

Adopted _____
Approved _____
Effective _____

2006-146

Management Plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;

4. That the Council hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, REBECCA E. KLISCH, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the 18th day of April, 2006.

AYES	:	Boyajian, Calhoun, Dages, Perea, Sterling, Westerlund, Duncan
NOES	:	None
ABSENT	:	None
ABSTAIN	:	None

REBECCA E. KLISCH
City Clerk

BY: Rebecca E. Klisch
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

BY: _____
Deputy City Attorney

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RESOLUTION NO. 7 OF 2006
PINEDALE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
FRESNO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10750, et seq, was adopted on August 12, 1996, and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District, Garfield Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions, and

WHEREAS, the Pinedale County Water District desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et.seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2 (a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss whether or not to adopt a resolution of intention to draft a groundwater management plan for the purpose of establishing a groundwater management program: and

WHEREAS, after the hearing, the Pinedale County Water District adopted a Resolution of Intention to draft a ground water management plan in accord with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.2(b), and

WHEREAS, the Pinedale County Water District, after its adoption of said Resolution of Intention, caused said Resolution of Intention to be published pursuant to Section 6066 of the Government Code, and

WHEREAS, a Working Draft of the Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management was prepared on behalf of the parties to the aforementioned Memorandum of Understanding, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed and heard pursuant to the provisions of Water Code Section 10753.5, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes that groundwater can best be managed by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the adoption of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan is in the best interest of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the Pinedale County Water District.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. That the Board of Directors of the Pinedale County Water District does hereby adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan as submitted on the date of this Resolution.

2. That the Board of Directors of the Pinedale County Water District hereby authorizes its Officers to execute all documents and to take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this Resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pinedale County Water District this 20th day of September 2006 by the following vote:

AYES : RICHARD BURRILL, NICOLE COOPER, EDWARD HIGGASON, DAVID RODRIGUEZ, DELTES COOPER

NOES : NONE

ABSENT : NONE

S/ RICHARD BURRILL
RICHARD BURRILL, President of the Board of Directors of Pinedale County Water District.

S/ PAM EINSEL
PAM EINSEL, Secretary of the Pinedale County Water District

Eugene L. Adams
ATTORNEY AT LAW
3554 W. Magill Ave
Fresno, CA 93711-0815
(559) 485-4611

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, PAM EINSEL, Secretary of the Pinedale County Water District, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of said Pinedale County Water District, duly and legally held at the regular meeting place thereof on the 20th day of September, 2006, of which meeting all of the members of said Board had due notice and at which a majority thereof were present; that at said meeting, said Resolution was introduced by Director EDWARD HIGGASON and read in full and was, thereupon, on motion of Director EDWARD HIGGASON, seconded by Director DAVID RODRIGUEZ and adopted by the following vote:

AYES : RICHARD BURRILL, EDWARD HIGGASON
DAVID RODRIGUEZ, DELTES COOPER, NICOLE COOPER

NOES : NONE

ABSENT: NONE

That I have carefully compared the same with the original minutes of said meeting on file in my office and that said Resolution is a full, true and correct copy of the original Resolution adopted at said meeting and entered in said minutes. That said Resolution has not been amended, modified or rescinded since the date of its adoption and the same is now in full force and effect

WITNESS MY HAND and the Seal of said District this 6th day of October, 2006.

Pam Einsel

PAM EINSEL, Secretary of the
Pinedale County Water District

EUGENE L. ADAMS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
3553 W Magill Ave
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RESOLUTION NO. 2006-490

BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FRESNO METROPOLITAN FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted a Groundwater Management Plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on August 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District, Garfield Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District desires to adopt a Groundwater Management Plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the intent to prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District adopted a Resolution of Intent to Prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan on August 24, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the public was invited to participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management and a Technical Advisory Committee comprised of landowners and participant representatives was formed and met regularly to develop the Plan; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on January 25, 2006 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the adoption of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan is in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District as follows: The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. That the Board of Directors of the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District does hereby adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan as submitted on the date of this Resolution.
2. That the officers of the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;
3. That the Board of Directors hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the District this 8th day of February 2006 by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:	Directors Franco, Welton, Spina, Groom, Williams and Rastegar
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Director Marcus
ABSTAIN:	None

RESOLUTION NO. 06-17

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KERMAN

ADOPTING THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on August 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District, Garfield Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Kerman desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the intent to prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the of the City Council of the City of Kerman adopted a Resolution of Intent to Prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan on August 10, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the public was invited to participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management and a Technical Advisory Committee comprised of landowners and participant representatives was formed and met regularly to develop the Plan; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on January 25, 2006 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

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WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Kerman believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Kerman believes the adoption of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan is in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the City of Kerman.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Kerman as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. That the City Council of the City of Kerman does hereby adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan as submitted on the date of this resolution.

2. That the officers of City Council of the City of Kerman are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;

3. That the City Council of the City of Kerman hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Kerman on the 1st day of March, 2006.

L. Renee Holdcroft

CITY CLERK, CITY OF KERMAN

The foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Kerman on the 1st day of March, 2006, and passed at said meeting by the following vote:

AYES: Cromartie, Rodriguez, Sidhu, Stockwell

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Council Member Moore

The foregoing resolution is hereby approved.

Gene Moore

MAYOR, CITY OF KERMAN

ATTEST:

L. Renee Holdcroft

CITY CLERK, CITY OF KERMAN

CITY CLERK
RESOLUTION CERTIFICATION

I, L. RENEE HOLDCROFT, do hereby certify as follows:

That I am the City Clerk of the City of Kerman and that the foregoing document, being Resolution No. 06-17, was passed at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Kerman held on the 1st day of March, 20 06 and I further certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the document so adopted.

6-1-06
DATE

L. Renee Holdcroft
L. RENEE HOLDCROFT
City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-06 (B)

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

ADOPTING THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted a groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on August 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District, Garfield Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the Malaga County Water District desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on August 10, 2005 to discuss the intent to prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Malaga County Water District adopted a Resolution of Intent to Prepare the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan on August 10, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the public was invited to participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management and a Technical Advisory Committee comprised of landowners and participant representatives was formed and met regularly to develop the Plan; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on January 25, 2006 to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the adoption of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan is in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the Malaga County Water District,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. That the Board of Directors of the Malaga County Water District does hereby adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan as submitted on the date of this resolution.

2. That the officers of the Malaga County Water District are authorized and directed to publish this resolution of adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request;

3. That the Board of Directors hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Malaga County Water District on February 14, 2006.

Russ Holcomb
General Manager

RESOLUTION No. 06-1101

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GARFIELD WATER DISTRICT

FOR INTENTION TO ADOPT THE FRESNO-AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code permits the adoption and implementation of groundwater management plans to encourage authorized local agencies to manage groundwater resources within their service areas; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno Irrigation District, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District, County of Fresno, City of Kerman, Malaga County Water District, Pinedale County Water District, Garfield Water District and Bakman Water Company have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Garfield Water District desires to adopt a groundwater management plan that is consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly noticed consistent with California Water Code Section 10753.2(a), and held on March 1, 2006, to discuss the adoption and implementation of the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes that groundwater can best be managed, as in the past, by local agencies in coordination with owners of lands overlying the groundwater basin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors believes the updating and adoption of a new groundwater management plan will be in the best interests of its constituents and water users and can help meet the projected long-term water needs of the Garfield Water District,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors as follows:

The foregoing findings are true and correct:

1. It is the intention of the Garfield Water District to adopt the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan in accordance with part 2.75 of Division 6 of the California Water Code, and the District's engineer is hereby authorized to represent the Garfield Water District in any joint management proceedings;

2. That this resolution shall be deemed a resolution of intention in accordance with California Water Code Section 10753.2;

3. That the plan has been prepared in accordance with all applicable laws, including, but not limited to the California Environmental Quality Act, and a public hearing has been conducted in accordance with the California Water Code Section 10753.5 et seq. to determine whether to adopt the plan;

4. That the officers of Garfield Water District have published a resolution of intention to update the Garfield Water District's groundwater management plan in accordance with the provisions of California Water Code Section 10753.3 and to provide interested persons with a copy of this resolution upon written request; and

5. That the Board of Directors hereby authorizes its officers to execute all documents and take any other action necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Garfield Water District that the Fresno-Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan be deemed to be in compliance with California Senate Bill No. 1938.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Garfield Water District on November 1, 2006.

Katherine B. Alves

Katherine Alves, Secretary

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, KATHERINE ALVES, the undersigned do hereby certify:

That I am the duly elected and acting Secretary of the GARFIELD WATER DISTRICT and that the foregoing Resolution was adopted on the 1st day of November, 2006.

Katherine B. Alves

Katherine Alves, Secretary

FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

APPENDIX C

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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REGARDING

THE FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into on this 11th day of October, 2005 by and between the FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT ("District"), the CITY OF FRESNO ("Fresno"), the CITY OF CLOVIS ("Clovis"), the FRESNO METROPOLITAN FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT ("Metropolitan"), the BAKMAN WATER COMPANY ("Company"), the CITY OF KERMAN ("Kerman"), the COUNTY OF FRESNO ("County"), the MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT ("Malaga"), and the PINEDALE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT ("Pinedale").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the District adopted a regional groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq. on August 12, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to update its groundwater management plan to make it consistent with recent amendments to the provisions of the California Water Code Section 10750 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, other parties that are within the boundary of the District wish to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding, so that the parties may cooperate and participate in the cost-efficient development of a regional groundwater management plan for the planning and monitoring activities for groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to incorporate the concerns and conditions of the other parties to this Memorandum of Understanding into its updated regional groundwater management plan so that the plan may provide a more comprehensive view and approach toward groundwater within the jurisdictional territory of the parties as identified, more or less, on the map included as Exhibit "1", attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties has the authority pursuant to law and their local governing authorities to enter into this cooperative effort to study and plan for the management of groundwater conditions within their respective jurisdictions.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in consideration of the promises contained herein the parties hereto agree upon the following covenants and conditions:

1. Purpose. This MOU is intended to promote and to provide a means to establish an orderly process to share information, develop courses of

action, and to resolve any issues with respect to the cooperative development of the regional groundwater management plan and with respect to the administration of the regional groundwater management plan. Administration will include coordination of data received from each party, public noticing, meetings and annual reporting as described herein. This MOU memorializes the interests, intent and responsibilities of the parties with respect to the adoption of a regional groundwater management plan consistent with the provisions of the California Water Code to provide for collection of data and the development of a plan for the management of groundwater resources within the jurisdictions of the parties hereto.

2. District's Responsibility. The District shall review and revise its groundwater management plan consistent with the current requirements of the California Water Code and the intentions of the parties hereto. The plan will be based upon the existing groundwater management plan of the District and shall incorporate new provisions required by recent changes in California law. The plan will be updated to include necessary revisions to incorporate the jurisdictions of the parties other than the District into the plan, so that the resulting document will satisfy the requirement of the Water Code that each of the parties has prepared a groundwater management plan. The District intends to complete the update of the regional groundwater management plan by December 2005.

3. Payment of Costs. Each of the parties hereto shall contribute to the cost of updating the groundwater management plan in accordance with the obligations specified in Exhibit "2" attached hereto. Additionally, any ongoing fees or costs incurred in the administration of the plan (as administration is defined and limited in Section 1 of this MOU) or of this Memorandum of Understanding will be shared by the parties in accordance with the percentages identified in Exhibit "2".

4. Coordination and Meetings. There shall be an annual coordination meeting between the parties. The District shall provide notice to the parties to this Memorandum of Understanding of the date and time of the meeting and submit a proposed agenda for such meeting. Each of the parties hereto agrees to provide a representative to participate in each of the annual meetings held during the effective dates of the regional groundwater management plan. The meeting may be held more often than annually if the parties hereto agree that more frequent meetings are necessary.

5. Data Provision. The parties to this agreement shall provide water quantity and water quality data for the purposes of preparing an annual report for public and state dissemination. The purpose of such data will be to evaluate the effectiveness of the implementation of the regional groundwater management plan by the parties. The parties hereto may employ consultants or contractors to assist in the preparation of the annual report which costs shall be shared according to the percentages specified in Exhibit "2". Preparation of the first annual report is estimated at 10% of the total Exhibit "2" fees to be shared at the same percentages as identified in Exhibit "2".

6. Membership. Any party to this Memorandum of Understanding may terminate their participation in the Memorandum of Understanding by providing ninety (90) days written notice to the District. Such member shall be responsible for their proportionate share of any costs incurred in administration of the Memorandum of Understanding through the effective date of their termination. Additionally, by agreement of all of the parties hereto, additional parties may be permitted to become participants in the Memorandum of Understanding and the regional groundwater management plan and will be required to pay their proportionate share of costs. Upon the termination of any member's participation or the addition of any additional member, the parties to the Memorandum of Understanding will revise the percentages for cost sharing purposes contained in Exhibit "2" appropriately. Participation in this MOU does not obligate parties to contribute to construction or implementation of groundwater related projects, unless mutually agreed upon.

7. Lead Agency. The District shall be the lead agency for contracting services associated with the development and implementation of the regional groundwater management plan. To the extent the District wishes to receive reimbursement for costs it incurs in addition to those costs identified on Exhibit "2", it shall obtain the prior written approval of each party. Promptly upon incurring approved costs, the District shall submit invoices according to the percentages contained in Exhibit "2" to each of the parties hereto for payment. The parties hereto shall remit payment of their appropriate portion of any such costs and expenses to the District within thirty (30) days of receipt of an invoice. Each party's share of contribution for preparation of the updated regional groundwater management plan as specified in Exhibit "2" shall be paid prior to the initiation of work to update the plan.

8. Budgets. The District shall prepare a proposed annual budget for consideration of the parties hereto at the annual meeting. The budget shall estimate the expenses and costs to be incurred with development of the updated regional groundwater management plan and any subsequent administration and implementation of the plan.

9. Amendments. This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended only by the express written consent of all of the parties hereto.

10. Severability. If any part of this agreement is found to be in conflict with applicable laws, such part shall be inoperative, null and void and so far as it is in conflict with said law that the remainder of the agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

11. Counterparts. This agreement may be executed in counterparts by the parties.

12. Governing Law and Venue. Any disputes or claims arising in connection with, or out of the implementation of this agreement shall be governed by the law of the State of California.

Executed on this _____ day of _____, 2005.

FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By: Gary R. Serrato

PINEDALE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF CLOVIS

By: _____

FRESNO METROPOLITAN FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

By: _____

BAKMAN WATER COMPANY

By: _____

CITY OF KERMAN

By: _____

COUNTY OF FRESNO

By: _____

MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF FRESNO

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

HILDA CANTU MONTOY
City of Fresno Attorney

By: _____
Deputy

ATTEST

REBECCA E. KLISCH
City of Fresno Clerk

By: _____

Executed on this _____ day of _____, 2005.

FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF CLOVIS

By: _____

BAKMAN WATER COMPANY

By: _____

COUNTY OF FRESNO

By: _____

CITY OF FRESNO

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

HILDA CANTU MONTOY
City of Fresno Attorney

By: _____
Deputy

ATTEST

REBECCA E. KLISCH
City of Fresno Clerk

By: _____

PINEDALE COUNTY
WATER DISTRICT

By: _____

FRESNO METROPOLITAN
FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF KERMAN

By: _____

MALAGA COUNTY WATER
DISTRICT

By: _____

Executed on this _____ day of _____, 2005.

FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF CLOVIS

By: _____

BAKMAN WATER COMPANY

By: _____

COUNTY OF FRESNO

By: _____

CITY OF FRESNO

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

HILDA CANTU MONTOY
City of Fresno Attorney

By: _____
Deputy

ATTEST

REBECCA E. KLISCH
City of Fresno Clerk

By: _____

PINEDALE COUNTY
WATER DISTRICT

By: _____

FRESNO METROPOLITAN
FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF KERMAN

By: _____

MALAGA COUNTY WATER
DISTRICT

By: _____

Executed on this _____ day of _____, 2005.

FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By: _____

PINEDALE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF CLOVIS

By: _____

FRESNO METROPOLITAN FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

By: _____

BAKMAN WATER COMPANY

By: _____

CITY OF KERMAN

By: _____

COUNTY OF FRESNO

By: _____

MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF FRESNO

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

HILDA CANTU MONTOY
City of Fresno Attorney

By: _____
Deputy Chief Ast.

ATTEST

REBECCA E. KLISCH
City of Fresno Clerk

By: Elvira Sommerville
Deputy (8/9/05)

Executed on this _____ day of _____, 2005.

FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By: _____

PINEDALE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF CLOVIS

By: _____

FRESNO METROPOLITAN FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

By: _____

BAKMAN WATER COMPANY

By: _____

CITY OF KERMAN

By: _____

COUNTY OF FRESNO

By: _____

MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF FRESNO

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

HILDA CANTU MONTOY
City of Fresno Attorney

By: _____
Deputy

ATTEST

REBECCA E. KLISCH
City of Fresno Clerk

By: _____

Executed on this _____ day of _____, 2005.

FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF CLOVIS

By: _____

BAKMAN WATER COMPANY

By: _____

COUNTY OF FRESNO

By: _____

CITY OF FRESNO

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

HILDA CANTU MONTOY
City of Fresno Attorney

By: _____
Deputy

ATTEST

REBECCA E. KLISCH
City of Fresno Clerk

By: _____

PINEDALE COUNTY
WATER DISTRICT

By: _____

FRESNO METROPOLITAN
FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

By: Bob Van Wyk

CITY OF KERMAN

By: _____

MALAGA COUNTY WATER
DISTRICT

By: _____

Executed on this _____ day of _____, 2005.

FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF CLOVIS

By: _____

BAKMAN WATER COMPANY

By: _____

COUNTY OF FRESNO

By: _____

CITY OF FRESNO

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

HILDA CANTU MONTOY
City of Fresno Attorney

By: _____
Deputy

ATTEST

REBECCA E. KLISCH
City of Fresno Clerk

By: _____

PINEDALE COUNTY
WATER DISTRICT

By: _____

FRESNO METROPOLITAN
FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF KERMAN

By: _____
Attest: _____
City Clerk

MALAGA COUNTY WATER
DISTRICT

By: _____

Executed on this _____ day of _____, 2005.

FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By: _____

CITY OF CLOVIS

By: _____

BAKMAN WATER COMPANY

By: _____

COUNTY OF FRESNO

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EXHIBIT "1"

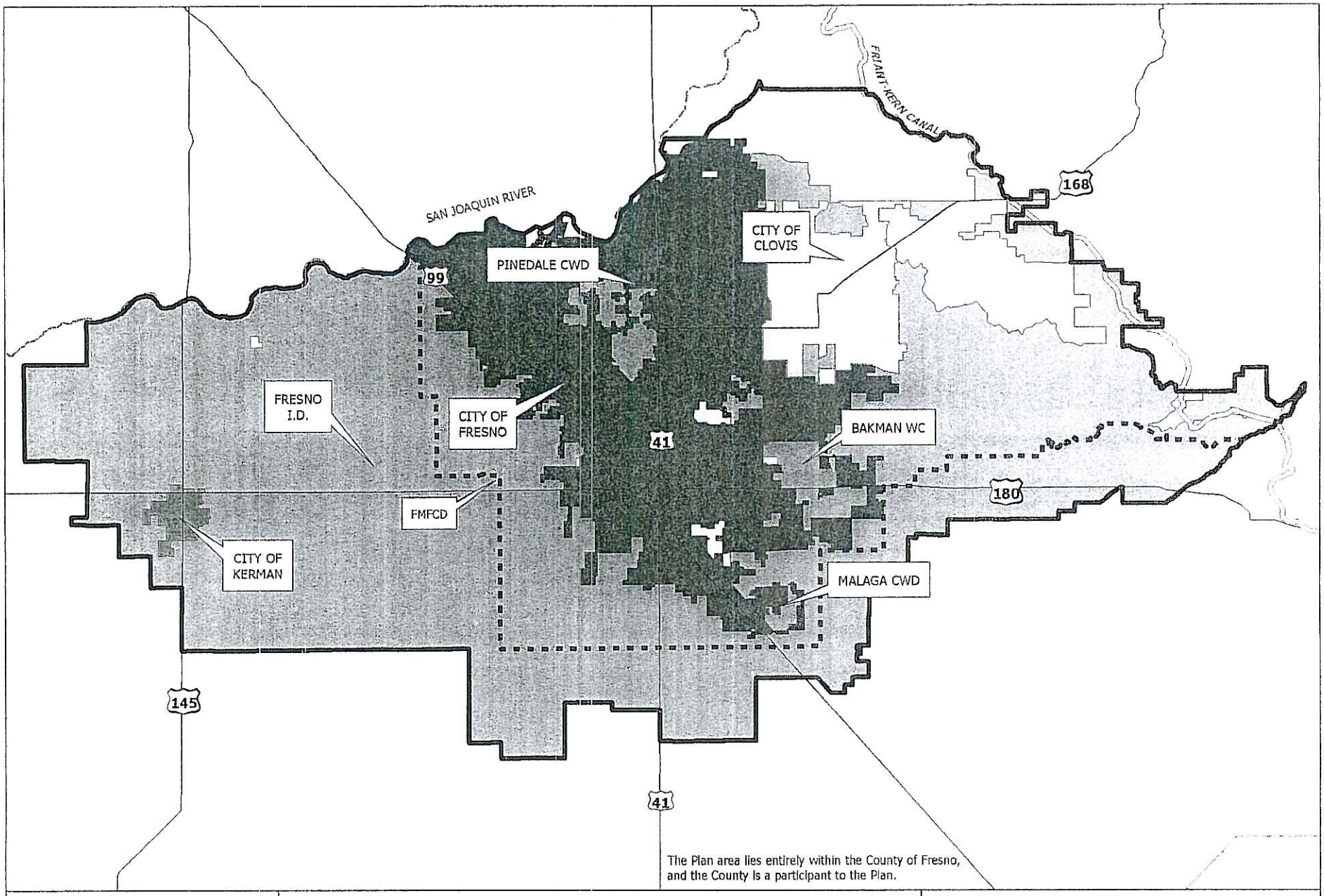

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Exhibit 1
Fresno Area Regional
Groundwater Management
Plan Boundary Map

EXHIBIT 2

Agency	Cost Share	Percent Total
Fresno Irrigation District	$25,000	23.81%
City of Fresno	$30,000	28.57%
City of Clovis	$20,000	19.05%
Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District	$7,500	7.14%
Bakman Water Company	$5,000	4.76%
City of Kerman	$5,000	4.76%
County of Fresno	$5,000	4.76%
Malaga County Water District	$5,000	4.76%
Pinedale County Water District	$2,500	2.38%
Total Estimated GW Mgmt. Plan Cost	**$105,000**	**100%**[1]

[1] Rounded

NOTE: Estimate does not include agency staff time, legal fees or required newspaper notices. Estimate includes consultant work only as required to prepare the Regional Groundwater Management Plan in compliance with SB 1938.

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November 2, 2005

Mr. Dale Stanton, P.E.
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RE: LETTER OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GMP

Dear Mr. Stanton:

The Garfield Water District (District) desires to cooperate and participate in the development of the Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan for the planning and monitoring activities of groundwater conditions in the area. The District hereby arees to the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding the Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan, attached hereto. In accordance with the recommendation of the Technical advisory Committee responsible for the Plan development, the District will make an initial contribution of two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500.00) to assist in the preparation of the Plan. A revised cost share and percentage total described in Exhibit 2 of the MOU is attached.

The District will duly notice and conduct a public hearing for intent to participate in preparation of the Plan in accordance with California Water Code requirements. Pending comments received during the hearing, the District Board of Directors intends to adopt a resolution of intent to participate in the preparation of the Plan. Following the acceptance of this letter, completion of the public hearing and adoption of the resolution, the District will participate in Plan development and all processes involved with the Plan's anticipated adoption.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this Plan.

Respectfully,

GARFIELD WATER DISTRICT

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President

Attachments

FRESNO AREA REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

APPENDIX D

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Acre-Foot: A quantity or volume of water covering one acre to a depth of one foot; equal to 43,560 cubic feet or 325,851 gallons.

Alluvium: A stratified bed of sand, gravel, silt, and clay deposited by flowing water.

Aquifer: A geologic formation that stores and transmits water and yields significant quantities of water to wells and springs.

Confined Aquifer: A water bearing subsurface stratum that is bounded above and below by formations of impermeable, or relatively impermeable, soil or rock.

Conjunctive Operation: The operation of a groundwater basin in combination with a surface water storage and conveyance system. Water is stored in the groundwater basin for later use by intentionally recharging the basin during periods of above-average water supply.

Deep Percolation: The percolation of surface water through the ground and beyond the lower limit of the root zone of plants into a groundwater aquifer.

Ecology: The study of the interrelationships of living organisms to one another and to their surroundings.

Ecosystem: Recognizable, relatively homogeneous units, including the organisms they contain, their environment, and all the interactions among them.

Effluent: Waste water or other liquid, partially or completely treated or in its natural state, flowing from a treatment plant.

Environment: The sum of all external influences and conditions affecting the life and development of an organism or ecological community; the total social and cultural conditions.

Evapotranspiration Of Applied Water (ETAW): The portion of the total evapotranspiration which is provided by irrigation.

Groundwater: Water that occurs beneath the land surface and completely fills all pore spaces of the alluvium, soil, or rock formation in which it is situated.

Groundwater Banking: The importation and storage of a new water supply in a groundwater aquifer for subsequent extraction of a fraction thereof for use by designated beneficiaries. The fraction of the water stored (i.e. banked) in the underground that may be withdrawn is a function of the groundwater mitigation

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required. Approval, oversight, mitigation and accounting for groundwater banking shall be the responsibility of the local agency whose AB 3030 plan governs. Agreement of the impacted local water service agencies shall also be obtained.

Groundwater Basin: A groundwater reservoir, defined by all the overlying land surface and the underlying aquifers that contain the water stored in the reservoir. In some cases, the boundaries of successively deeper aquifers may differ and make it difficult to define the limits of the basin.

Groundwater Mining: The withdrawal of water from an aquifer in excess of recharge over time. If continued, the underground supply would eventually be exhausted or the water table could drop below economically feasible pumping lifts.

Groundwater Mitigation: An action or activity designed to compensate for the actual or expected negative impact caused by groundwater pumping by appropriators and/or groundwater bankers. Mitigation shall include making provisions for sufficient recharge to offset the effects of all extractions, subsurface outflow and other unrecoverable losses attributable to the appropriation or banking activity. Mitigation may be incorporated into a conjunctive operation of a groundwater basin or subarea thereof with the consent of the agency or agencies responsible for the conjunctive management of such basin or subarea.

Groundwater Overdraft: The condition of a groundwater basin in which the amount of water withdrawn by pumping exceeds the amount of water that recharges the basin over a period of years during which water supply conditions approximate average.

Groundwater Recharge: Increases in groundwater storage by natural conditions or by human activity.

Groundwater Reservoir: An aquifer or an aquifer system in which groundwater is stored.

Groundwater Storage Capacity: The space or voids contained in a given volume of deposits. Under optimum conditions, the usable groundwater storage capacity is the volume of water that can, within specified economic limitations, be alternately extracted and replaced in the reservoir.

Groundwater Table: The upper surface of the zone of saturation (all pores of subsoil filled with water), except where the surface is formed by an impermeable body.

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Hardpan: A layer of nearly impermeable soil beneath a more permeable soil, formed by natural chemical cementing of the soil particles.

Hydrologic Balance: An accounting of all water inflow to, water outflow from, and changes in water storage within a hydrologic unit over a specified period.

Hydrologic Basin: The complete drainage area upstream from a given point on a stream.

In-Lieu Groundwater Recharge: A method of replenishing a groundwater resource by delivering an alternate surface supply to agricultural or urban users instead of pumping groundwater, thus leaving water in the underground for future use. Deliveries of surface water to parks, golf courses and freeway landscaping are examples of urban in-lieu recharge.

Intentional Recharge: The addition of surface water to a groundwater reservoir by human activity, such as putting surface water into spreading basins.

Irrecoverable Losses: The water lost to a salt sink or lost by evaporation or evapotranspiration from a conveyance facility, drainage canal, or in fringe areas.

Irrigation Efficiency: The efficiency of water application. Computed by dividing evapotranspiration of applied water by applied water and converting the result to a percentage. Efficiency can be computed at three levels: farm, district, or basin. Applied water may exclude water that percolates to groundwater for subsequent reuse.

Irrigation Return Flow: Applied water that is not transpired, evaporated, or deep percolated into a groundwater basin but that returns to a surface water supply.

Land Subsidence: The lowering of the natural land surface in response to: earth movements; lowering of fluid pressure (or lowering of groundwater level); removal of underlying supporting materials by mining or solution of solids, either artificially or from natural causes; compaction caused by wetting (hydrocompaction); oxidation of organic matter in soils; or added load on the land surface.

Leaching: The flushing of salts from the soil by the downward percolation of applied water.

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Leaching Requirement: The incremental water necessary to prevent harmful salt accumulations in the soil. LR = ETAW X LF DU100 (1-LF) where LF is the leaching fraction.

Mean Annual Runoff: The average value of annual runoff amounts calculated for a selected period of record for a specified area.

Milligrams Per Liter (mg/L): The weight in milligrams of any substance dissolved in one liter of liquid. Nearly the same as parts per million.

Moisture Stress: A condition of physiological stress in a plant caused by a lack of water.

Natural Flow: The flow past a specified point on a natural stream that is unaffected by stream diversion, storage, import, export, return flow, or change in use caused by modifications in land use.

Net Water Demand: The amount of water needed in a water service area to meet all requirements. It is the sum of evapotranspiration of applied water (ETAW) in an area, the irrecoverable losses from the distribution system, and the outflow leaving the service area.

New Water Supply: A surface water supply which has not historically been imported or brought under control and put to beneficial use by recharge of the groundwater or by direct use. New water would include, but not be limited to:

a. Fresno Stream Group water.
b. C.V.P. Class II water not historically diverted (i.e. obligation water subject to spill from Friant Dam).
c. Kings River flood releases from Pine Flat Dam and divertable under existing license conditions and applicable agreements.
d. Fresno County's C.V.P. Cross Valley Supply.
e. Any other water purchased, exchanged, developed or otherwise acquired that did not constitute a part of the historic water supply for the area in question.
f. City of Fresno's C.V.P. Class I Supply. While this is an existing supply, it can be redirected to portions of the City outside of the District, at any time and at the City's sole discretion, and therefore has all the characteristics of new water.

Nonpoint Source: Waste water discharge other than from point sources. (See Point Source).

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Perched Groundwater: Groundwater supported by a zone of material of low permeability located above an underlying main body of groundwater with which it is not hydrostatically connected.

Percolation: The downward movement of water through the soil or alluvium to the groundwater table.

Permeability: The capability of soil or other geologic formation to transmit water.

Point Source: A specific site from which waste or polluted water is discharged into a water body, the source of which can be identified. See also Nonpoint source.

Pollution (of water): The alteration of the physical, chemical, or biological properties of water by the introduction of any substance into water that adversely affects any beneficial use of water.

Recharge Basin: A surface facility, often a large pond, used to increase the infiltration of surface water into a groundwater basin.

Reclaimed Waste Water: Waste water that becomes suitable for a specific beneficial use as a result of treatment.

Return Flow: The portion of withdrawn water not consumed by evapotranspiration or system losses which returns to its source or to another body of water.

Reuse: The additional use of previously used water.

Riparian: of, or on the banks of, a stream or other body of water.

Riparian Vegetation: Vegetation growing on the banks of a stream or other body of water.

Runoff: The surface flow of water from an area; the total volume of surface flow during a specified time.

Safe Yield: The maximum quantity of water that can be withdrawn from a groundwater basin over a long period of time without developing a condition of overdraft. Sometimes referred to as sustained yield.

Salinity: General, the concentration of mineral salts dissolved in water. Salinity may be measured by weight (total dissolved solids), electrical conductivity, or osmotic pressure. Where sea water is known to be the major source of salt,

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salinity is often used to refer to the concentration of chlorides in the water. See also Total Dissolved Solids.

Secondary Treatment: In waste water treatment, the biological process of reducing suspended, colloidal, and dissolved organic matter in effluent from primary treatment systems. Secondary treatment is usually carried out through the use of trickling filters or by the activated sludge process.

Seepage: The gradual movement of a fluid into, through, or from a porous medium.

Service Area: The geographical land area served by a distribution system of a water agency.

Streamflow: The rate of water flow past a specified point in a channel.

Surface Supply: Water supply from streams, lakes and reservoirs.

Tail Water: Applied irrigation water that runs off the end of a field. Tail water is not necessarily lost; it can be collected and reused on the same or adjacent fields.

Tertiary Treatment: In sewage, the additional treatment of effluent beyond that of secondary treatment to obtain a very high quality of effluent.

Total Dissolved Solids: A quantitative measure of the residual minerals dissolved in water that remain after evaporation of a solution. Usually expressed in milligrams per liter. Abbreviation: TDS. See also Salinity.

Transpiration: The process in which plant tissues give off water vapor to the atmosphere as an essential physiological process.

Waste Water: The water remaining after use, liquid waste, or drainage from a community, industry, or institution.

Water Conservation: As used in this report, water conservation is the reduction in depletion. This reduction includes the reduction of the evapotranspiration of applied water and irrecoverable losses to salt sinks.

Waste Water Reclamation: The planned reuse of waste water for specific beneficial purposes.

Water Demand Schedule: A time distribution of the demand for prescribed quantities of water for specified purposes. It is usually a monthly tabulation of

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the total quantity of water that a particular water user intends to use during a specified year.

Water Quality: Used to describe the chemical, physical, and biological characteristics of water, usually in regard to its suitability for a particular purpose.

Water Reclamation: The treatment of water of impaired quality, including brackish water, waste water, and sea water to produce a water of suitable quality for the intended use.

Water Right: A legally protected right to take possession of water occurring in a natural water way and to divert that water for beneficial use.

Water Year: A continuous 12-month period for which hydrologic records are compiled and summarized. In California, it begins on October 1.